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'Fulbrighters'

by Karen Gresh

Within the past few months, Pennsylvania newspapers have carried State System of Higher Education ads featuring the faces of faculty members from the fourteen member universities. All had been selected for Fulbright grants. A good many of the eighty were from our university: thirty-eight IUP faculty members have received forty-eight awards since the Fulbright Program started in 1946.



Sponsored by the U.S. Government, Fulbright grants are awarded to American teachers, students, and scholars to study, teach, lecture, and conduct research abroad and to foreign nationals to engage in similar activities in the U.S. Selection is based on academic or professional qualifications and potential, in addition to the ability and the willingness to share ideas and experiences with people of diverse cultures. Included in the Fulbright Program are a variety of exchange programs, including several types of individual grants.

Established through Congressional legislation introduced by former Senator J. William Fulbright of Arkansas, the program awards approximately 4,200 new grants each year in all categories. In the fifty-two years, there have been nearly a quarter of a million "Fulbrighters": 82,000 Americans and 138,000 recipients from other nations have participated in the program. From ten countries involved initially, the program now reaches more than a hundred and forty nations.

According to a list compiled by the Provost's Office, the faculty members who have gone into the world and brought it back to their IUP classrooms include the following (listed with their disciplines and the country(ies) they visited): Abbas Ali, Management, Jordan; Thomas Ault, Theater, Austria, Germany, and Italy; Timothy Austin (two awards), Criminology, Philippines and Singapore; Kenneth Brode, German, Germany; Donald Buckwalter (two awards), Geography and Regional Planning, Hungary; James Cahalan, English, Ireland; Patrick Carone (two awards), International Studies, Italy and Hungary.

Ernest Fricke, History, England; Rajender Garg, Marketing, China; Janet Goebel, Honors College, Austria; Edward Gendolf, Sociology, India; Thomas Goodrich (three awards), History, Turkey; Richard Hartline, Chemistry, Malta; Nancy Hayward D'91, English, Mexico; Donn Hedman, Art, Tanzania; John Kadlubowski, History, U.K.; Maurice Kilwein-Guevara, English, Colombia; Alicia Linzey, Biology, Zimbabwe; Rexford Lord, Biology, Venezuela; Paul McCauley, Criminology, Australia; Joel Mlecko, Philosophy and Religious Studies, India; Patrick Murphy, English, Japan.

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FRONT COVER:

Reproductions of a variety of sculpture, including Carpeaux's *Gène de la Danse*, grace the Great Hall of the Robert E. Cook Honors College. The college is housed in Whitmyre Hall. Photograph by John Bender.

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The Honors Perspective

*When IUP honors
freshman Forrest
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John Bender

As provost and vice president for Academic Affairs, Mark Staszewicz helped to steer the opening of the Robert E. Cook Honors College.

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hen I talk to friends about what they are doing, they say 'I'm taking this course.' Then, I tell them that this month we're examining the question of 'How do humans understand the sacred?' from the perspective of literature, history, philosophy, and the fine arts, and that I've just finished my fourth major critical paper," says Lehman. "Their jaws hit the table."

"They are in awe. They just go to class and come back—they aren't tackling these things."

Lehman is an English major in the second class of IUP's Robert E. Cook

Honors College, a residential honors college which requires students to take a three-semester interdisciplinary "core course" with faculty members from English, history, philosophy, religious studies, and fine arts. The course is organized around seven "core questions." Each unit's question begins and ends with common experiences for all faculty members and students. In the middle is a case study in one of the disciplines to explore that unit's question.

Lehman says, "It's interesting the way all the sections attack the questions from a different angle and the way we get together at the end to learn how everyone looked at it. And even during the middle of the unit we get into discussions in the hallways and in our rooms—"How are you guys looking at the question? What are you learning?" Though you are in one disciplinary unit, it's as if you are in all of them at the same time. I think it's really neat the way they do that. The synthesis is really valuable.

"I'm happy, and feel I'm getting something out of college that my friends aren't," says Lehman. "The whole interdisciplinary design of the course around major questions that touch all humans, the focus on thinking and writing, and the kind of interaction with faculty and students I've experienced in the Honors College core course has been a real awakening for me. In order to function in a society, you have to be open-minded and look at all sides of an issue, to realize that not everyone agrees, but you have to go beyond that and recognize which positions are more or less valid, what the best answers are."

Sophomore Lori Felker had a similar experience. "There are other courses which have interdisciplinary content, but it's the combination of the interdisciplinary approach to questions like 'What is Art?' and the critical discussion-based teaching approach that makes the difference,"



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explains Felker. "I have sensed a bit of jealousy from those high school friends who went to other universities, and it makes me feel good about what we are doing here.

"The organization of the course around questions like 'How do we tell the good from the bad?' changes everything. Instead of learning something re-digested about a single discipline like history, you start to see what history contributes to life's big questions. It's a group of professors and students looking for a synthesis rather than a teacher giving information to offer an answer. You have to have different people giving answers to truly understand, and there are often even more questions when you are done.

"That gives me more enlightenment, not less," Felker adds. "Without critical thinking it would just be a jumble of feelings, so that's part of the synthesis, too—evaluating other arguments. And, it doesn't shortchange history either—I've come to see how a historian thinks and even to recognize how that's different from the way philosophers think."

IUP Provost Mark Staszkiwicz is intrigued by the way the Honors College curriculum solves the "breadth vs. depth" problem. Says Staszkiwicz, "With only so many hours in a four-year degree, there was always a debate between those who wanted students to have more liberal

studies courses to become more well-rounded and those who felt students needed more training in their specific major. The honors course sequence offers the practical side of breadth: It teaches the skills of the well-rounded person."

Sophomore Beth Baran agrees. "The purpose of Liberal Studies is to foster well-roundedness in students' education," Baran says. "When I'm writing for core, I'm not simply fulfilling a writing assignment. I'm incorporating elements of history, philosophy, fine arts, and literature. I don't know that I would be able to synthesize all or even some of them into the writings I would be doing if I were in a college writing class independent from the other disciplines. I recall John Locke's theory on government, and it helps with analysis of Keats's works. I've used history articles in English classes. We are learning a set of skills and a way of looking at things as connected."

Eric Boyer, a freshman political science major who will be interning in Washington, D.C., this summer, finds that the interdisciplinary approach taken by the core class has facilitated his learning in a way that individual classes never could.

"The core class has shown me that the foundation of knowledge that is meant to be built by the liberal studies program cannot be truly accomplished through taking classes that are independent of each other," Boyer points out. "Like in the human body, where individual cells combine to make organs, and organs interact to make us who we are, the core class creates a system in which all the various aspects of liberal studies interact with each other. This interaction around deep and thought-provoking questions challenges our minds in ways no other class has."

Adds Felker: "The core course patterns how it should happen in real life. With in-depth critical thinking and discussions that push way beyond how people 'feel' into real thinking and analysis, you begin to make connections. It seems abstract, but it's very relevant. Core was the spark and the initial exercise that trained my mind to be analytical, critical, but also open to other ideas. Now, I see connections all the time. I don't have to stretch to bring art into history. And, it keeps going after the term is over, even at home."

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"They explained that most work in business involved a team of people trying to solve a problem. Recent graduates weren't used to working in teams—they did their learning alone and rarely had much practice discussing ideas in a critical way. And, recent graduates were uncomfortable with problems where there was no clear right answer."

"We want to equip our students with those skills while still introducing them to the great ideas and traditions in our disciplines," Goebel explains. "We want

Beth Baran



John Bender

Bound for the British Isles

By Bill Swauger

"I've wanted to live in England since I was a kid," says Lori Felker, a sophomore in the Robert E. Cook Honors College at IUP. "When I was eleven, people would ask me where I wanted to go to college, and I'd say 'Oxford.'"

At the time Felker didn't realize that she and IUP classmate Beth Baran would someday be among a small number of non-British students selected to spend a junior year at Oxford's oldest college, St. Edmund Hall. Felker, an English and German major from Liberty High School in Bethlehem, Pa., has always loved British music, but her main reason for attending Oxford is to study philology—the history of languages.

"Last year, I was in the 'What is History?' unit with Dr. [Janet] Goebel [director of the Robert E. Cook Honors College], and we talked about the history of the English language as well as examining the idea of the Arthurian legend as a kind of history. As we were talking about Old English and Celtic and the whole transformation of the language, I remembered how much I liked this stuff from PBS shows I had seen.

"Since we have a close relationship with the faculty, Dr. Goebel encouraged me to pursue the field and to take a summer course in Old English at Notre Dame to see if I really liked it. Getting the best grade in my class at Notre Dame with much older stu-

dents increased my confidence. That's how it all started."

Baran, a 1996 graduate of Cambria Heights High School in Patton, Pa., is thrilled with the "incredible opportunity" of studying at Oxford. Both Beth's father, Paul, and sister, Amy, are English teachers and IUP alumni. Amy was instrumental in Beth's selecting IUP and the Honors College.

"I was looking at the Ivy League," says Beth. "And, I was accepted at all the schools I applied to. Amy was on the planning committee for the Honors College. She sat me down and pointed out how the values of the Honors College are a close match to my own values. I haven't regretted that decision for one moment."

Bob Cook also has been a strong influence on Beth. "The fact that I met Mr. Cook and I know him is impressive in itself," she says. "It's kind of rare to meet a person who established something in a university and has it named after him. He has placed such an investment in me. He helped arrange my internship at Nasdaq (securities market) this summer. Now, I have the president of Nasdaq, Alfred Berkeley, e-mailing me. I'm overwhelmed. It's been a whirlwind."

Jeremy Reppy, an Honors College sophomore and history major from Carbondale, Ill., also was accepted to Oxford but decided to accept a prestigious junior-year-abroad offer from

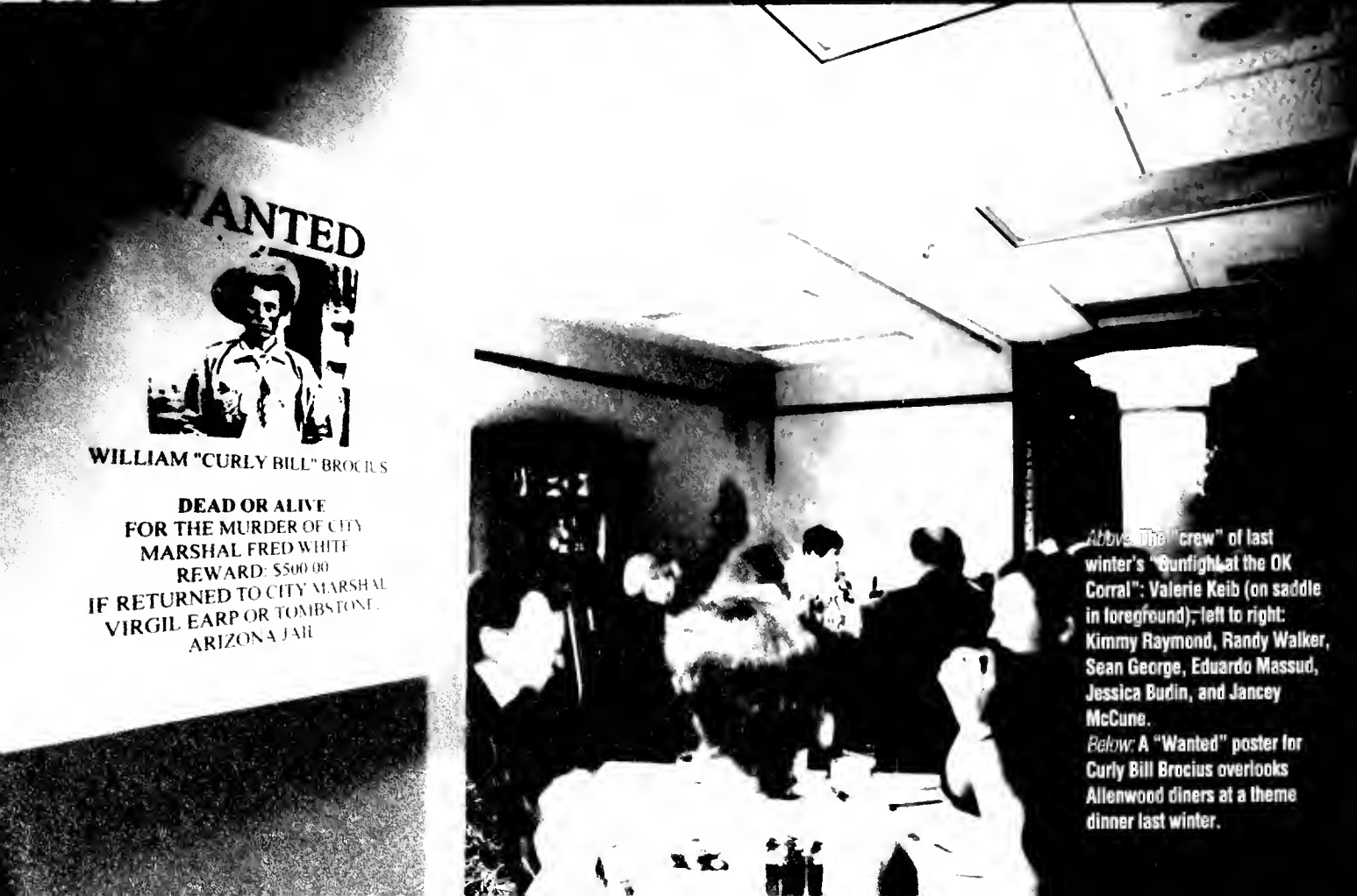
Trinity College in Dublin to study law and history.

Baran, Felker, and Reppy were assisted in their Oxford applications by Patrick Carone, IUP's student advisor for International Affairs, and by Christopher Orchard, an IUP English professor who received his degree from Oxford. They submitted grades, test scores, application essays, references from faculty members, and samples of papers they had written while at IUP.

Forrest Lehman, an English major from Susquenita High School in Duncannon, Pa., and a Cook Honors College freshman, isn't going to be too far from Oxford this summer. He is at Cambridge University, studying medieval English and Shakespearian literature.

Lehman is joined by Jennifer Earlen, a biology major from Medford, N.J. Earlen is taking Cambridge summer classes in the history and philosophy of science and was especially looking forward to her course in the history of medicine.

Andy Snyder and Angelique Weger, Honors College sophomores, decided to forgo the prestige of the well-known British universities and to continue to be pioneers, heading for a relatively new university, Sheffield-Hallam. Snyder, a history major from Camp Hill, is especially interested in connections between the labor movement history of Sheffield and a possible undergraduate thesis on the labor



Above: The "crew" of last winter's "Gunfight at the OK Corral": Valerie Keib (on saddle in foreground); left to right: Kimmy Raymond, Randy Walker, Sean George, Eduardo Massud, Jessica Budin, and Jancey McCune.
Below: A "Wanted" poster for Curly Bill Brocius overlooks Allenwood diners at a theme dinner last winter.

Incredible Journeys

Steps away from John Sutton Hall, diners can enjoy a final meal on the *Titanic*, chow down in Tombstone, and pull up a chair to the dinner table at 211 Pine Street, home of the Cleaver family. It's all part of a unique program in a unique academic department.

By Bob Fulton

Imagine dining on fiery kimchi in Korea, on chicken and date tagine in Morocco, on murgah masala in India, on jerk chicken in Jamaica, and on sweet, syrupy baklava in Greece—without ever leaving the United States.

Imagine traveling through time like a character in a *Star Trek* episode, sharing meals with figures as diverse as Cleopatra and the Cleavers, Gilligan and Napoleon, Wyatt Earp and the passengers of the *Titanic*.

Such fanciful journeys can be booked through IUP's Department of Hotel, Restaurant, and Institutional Management, which serves weekly theme dinners at the Allenwood Restaurant on the ground floor of Main Campus's Ackerman Hall. Students in the senior-level Food Systems II class—also known as Advanced Food Management—pour their creative energies into elaborate presentations that entrance visitors and have, much like watching *Seinfeld*, become a popular Thursday night pastime.

"To the best of my knowledge, there's no other food facility in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania where you're going to find anything as entertaining as the things we come up with," says department chairperson Jeff Miller. "The underlying part of every one of our dinners is the exploration of a specific cuisine, whether it's domestic or international, current or historic. What we also try to do is add an entertainment element to make the dinners fun."

For example, eerie music, muffled screams, creaking doors, and crackling thunder played over the sound system during last fall's Haunted Victorian Mansion dinner. The servers were made up as ghouls, and a coffin, enveloped in a tangle of cobwebs and topped by candelabra, enhanced the spooky effect. A life-size cardboard cutout of Humphrey Bogart stood sentinel, and a pianist played "As Time Goes By" during the dinner at Rick's Café Americain in wartime Casablanca. Gunshots (from cap guns) rang out during Christmas in Tombstone, 1881.

John Bender



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them to be successful whether they are applying for jobs or for graduate school."

Shauna Doyle, a freshman majoring in education of persons with hearing loss from Havertown High School near Philadelphia, sees benefits that she hopes to incorporate into her own career as a teacher. "I like to interact with the material. I care more about things I have to learn interactively. I have to be challenged to actually want to do the work, to care about it passionately. And, it's more fun," says Doyle.

"The design of the course contributes a lot. If a course is designed behind problem solving, it's going to be more interesting and fun. My brain is going to grow just by thinking about it. If the design is just information, even if you get into groups once in a while, there's not much to think about. Just framing the course material as a problem or a question makes a big difference. You still learn specifics, still master the material, but it comes alive."

Former Director of Liberal Studies Charles Cashdollar has joined the interdisciplinary team of faculty in the Honors College core course. "This is only one of a number of initiatives that IUP has undertaken in the last decade to strengthen undergraduate education. The others include more common courses in liberal studies, writing across the curriculum, synthesis courses, special, discipline-based floors in residence halls, and peer mentor programs within departments," says Cashdollar. "Our faculty has also embraced reflective teaching, improving their methods of

teaching interactively, and incorporating effective group work and critical thinking into all IUP courses."

When Baran arrives in Washington this summer for her internship with Alfred Berkeley, president of the Nasdaq Stock Market, she knows she will be well prepared to meet the challenge. As a double major in English and Marketing, Beth knows there is still much specialized knowledge to be acquired, but she has the skills to do the job: she can think critically and synthetically, she can write, and working as part of an interdisciplinary team to solve problems has become second nature to her.

"You need to understand that education cannot be approached from a singular point of view," says Baran. "The curriculum has changed the way I think. I became a different thinker. Everything I thought I knew and took for granted now seems shallow without critical analysis to support it."

Baran also is prepared for another challenge: This fall, she and Felker will be two of only thirty non-British students admitted to St. Edmund Hall, one of Oxford University's elite colleges, as visiting students in English literature.

"This whole environment just fosters growth," says Baran. "We all want to get our degrees and jobs, and even money, but we also want to become more open people, to develop as citizens and gain a greater appreciation about how it all fits together." 🐾

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movements of Pennsylvania and the United States. He will also be working part time with IUP alumnus Glenn Himes D'92, who is a professor at Sheffield and works with digital preservation of rare materials in the humanities.

Snyder is enthusiastic about both the course work and his part-time job: "Multimedia technology opens up many intriguing possibilities for archival research and teaching history by allowing people to gain greater access to rare and fragile documents through CD-ROM and Internet technologies," says Snyder. "It allows for the 'democratization' of knowledge through greater accessibility and dissemination that places like Oxford, whose ancient manuscripts are firmly chained to the library wall, aren't pursuing, and I would like to be part of that movement."

Weger, a sophomore journalism major from Florida, is looking for-

ward to courses in modernism at Sheffield-Hallam that may give her greater experience in her future career as a museum curator.

These students hope to keep in touch during the year and to plan a midyear reunion with the other Honors College students studying in the British Isles: Dan Nowak, a history major from Bunker Hill, W.Va., studying history for a year at Edinburgh, Scotland, and Amber Bloomfield, a psychology major from Fremont, Neb., spending the fall semester at a neighboring Scottish university. Freshman Journalism/English major Rebecca Strunk, an honors student from Ohio, will be studying in Worcester through an IUP exchange program.

Nor will the students miss the opportunity to cross the channel and visit fellow Honors College students Adrienne Bell in Nancy, France; Erica Shafran in Duisburg, Germany; and Brandy Wiltsey in Seville, Spain.

Baran sees education abroad from this perspective: "It's the Honors College's and IUP's commitment to educating the whole individual. Many of us are from relatively small towns, and we come to college with little travel or worldly experience. Study abroad is about going to another country and losing some of your ethnocentricities, which really means immersion in another culture, and it will broaden us."

Realized dreams like these abound in the Robert E. Cook Honors College. Founded in part through a \$3.25 million gift from Bob Cook '64, the college opened to its first freshman class of one hundred students in the Fall of 1996.

Bill Swauger is director of public relations at IUP.

Lifestyles

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President Willis Pratt, left, John Davis, and Mary Alice St. Clair were three of the incorporators of the Foundation for IUP in October, 1967. The others were Samuel Furguile, Charles Leach, and Joseph Serene.

Thirty Years and Growing

A gala reception and dinner in June marked the thirtieth anniversary of the Foundation for IUP, the charitable arm of the university that exists to enhance university programs.

Since its establishment in 1967, the Foundation for IUP has seen tremendous growth. The Foundation's endowment is now \$19 million. IUP is concluding the largest capital campaign in the history of Pennsylvania's State System of Higher Education, surpassing its original goal of \$20 million and reaching \$25 million in commitments. Over the last thirty years, more than \$30 million has been made available to various university efforts.

The focus of the gala event, student achievement through scholarship, treated guests to a private viewing of the Graduate Art Exhibit in the University Museum, and theatrical and musical selections by IUP students. After dinner, guests were served a signature dessert prepared by Jeremy Critchfield, a graduate of the IUP Academy of Culinary Arts and the current banquet chef at Nemacolin Woodlands Resort.

Foundation Board president Tom Zaucha served as the master of ceremonies, while Christine Jack Toretti, a member of the State System of Higher Education's Board of Governors, delivered the keynote address.

Proceeds from the event have been used to establish an endowed scholarship in recognition of the Foundation's impact on the university's programs. The scholarship, in turn, salutes the dedication and commitment of various volunteers, board members, and community members.

IN HARMONY

On a spring day in 1966, Larry Hevner celebrated his graduation from Harmony High School in rural Westover, Pa. As class president, he urged his fellow graduates to go forward and do good.

A few years later, Hevner celebrated his graduation from IUP as a member of the Class of 1971, earning a bachelor's degree in social sciences.

Nearly thirty years later, Hevner had a special reason to celebrate another commencement at Harmony High School, as the first recipient of the W.R. Hevner Family Scholarship was announced.

"I owe a lot to my high school and to IUP," Hevner said recently. "I wasn't a great student, but I got a pretty good education in high school, and college had a tremendous impact on my life. This scholarship is a way to give someone else a little jump start on their college education."

Hevner, president of Hevner Enterprises, Inc., and Long Island Concrete Corporation in Fairfax County, Va., and his wife, Marian, established the W.R. Hevner Family Scholarship to benefit talented graduates from Harmony High School who enroll at IUP. "There's no better gift I can think to give someone than the gift of education," he said. "Even though I didn't work a day in my field of study, my education has been a benefit every day of my life. My wife and I want other young people to have the opportunity to get a good education."

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The first student to receive this special gift from the Hevner family is Danyhl Meterko, a freshman communications major from Burnside, Pa.

If you are interested in establishing a scholarship to provide an opportunity for a talented and deserving student attending IUP, please contact Shari Trinkley, director of Major and Planned Giving, at 724-357-3184 or by mail at the Foundation for IUP, Sutton Hall, Room 103, 1011 South Drive Indiana, PA 15705 or by e-mail: trinks@grove.iup.edu.

**—Shari Trinkley
Director, Major and
Planned Giving**

Correction

A book by assistant history professor Xi Wang was incorrectly described in the spring issue of *IUP Magazine*. The correct title is *The Trial of Democracy: Black Suffrage and Northern Republicans, 1860-1910*.

Clicking for Service

And you thought your neighborhood was right outside your door.

Not so. You can catch up not only with your neighbors but also your long-lost friends through the IUP alumni online community. Offered by Harris Publishing, the same company that produced the IUP Alumni Directory, the online community features a searchable directory, alumni homepages, and the tools to assist alumni in creating homepages and space to store them. The Career Center allows alumni to post or search for job opportunities and resumes, share career advice, and use counseling services.

All IUP alumni will be provided with a permanent e-mail address, which will be maintained even if they change Internet service providers, and users will have access to the Alumni Business Yellow Pages. Future plans include the creation

of a specialized bulletin board, which will allow alumni a forum for discussion on various topics, and distance learning opportunities, allowing subscribers to listen in on lectures and other presentations.

There is no charge for participation in the online community or to use a searchable e-mail directory; however, fees are charged for access to the online alumni directory that carries all

the information available in the printed directory.

"We want to know you are with us," said Joan M. Fisher, vice president for Institutional Advancement. "Let us hear from you online."

For details about the online community, access the Office of Alumni Affairs World Wide Web site at <http://www.iup.edu/alumni> or call (800) 937-2487.



Present at the creation: IUP Trustee David Johnson '53, center, was instrumental in creating the university's Department of Safety Sciences in the early seventies. This past spring, he was honored at a Breezedale reception, and his achievements were recognized by speakers that included President Lawrence Pettit, right, and Josh Shaw, left, president of the Student Section of the American Society of Safety Engineers. A native of Indiana (and the son of Sally Bevan Johnson '21, for whom Safety Sciences' home building is named), Johnson earned a master's degree in Safety Management from New York University in the late fifties. For thirty-eight years, beginning in 1954, he was associated with Pennsylvania Manufacturers Corporation and its various subsidiaries. Continuing his family's eight-decade tradition of service to the university, he currently serves as vice chairman of the Council of Trustees. Johnson's wife, Audrey Vogan Johnson, and children, Ward Johnson and Lee Johnson Faulconbridge, are all IUP alumni.

Jim Wakefield

THE COMPANY WE KEEP

Gilbert Grosvenor, chairman of the board of the National Geographic Society, addressed graduates and their families during May commencement ceremonies.

Filipino Ambassador Raul Rabe visited the campus in March at the invitation of the university's Asian Studies Committee.

Perched forty feet above the ground on a rooftop, Michael Sample endured the bitter cold of January in New England. Though the wind blowing off the ocean chilled him, the winter working conditions heated up his ambition to return to school and leave the hardships of being a carpenter behind him. "I wanted to stay in construction, but I didn't want to be in labor anymore," said the 31-year-old native of Pittsburgh.

Setting his sights on a career in safety, Sample came to IUP.

Beyond the Books

By Marilyn Kukula

stopping his studies. In January, 1997, he returned to IUP. Now a safety science major, he joined the IUP student section of the American Society of Safety Engineers.

That first spring semester, he was honored with the group's

something that gives them nothing in return," he said. "You can't just take."

As a member of the ASSE, he has helped coordinate an adult CPR training day open to students, faculty, staff, and the community. Last year, more than a hundred people were certified at no cost to the participants.

Sample has also taken part in school-bus safety programs at elementary schools. In the presentation, the youngsters hold a mock school bus evacuation, and a student has the chance to wear firefighter's gear and use a fire extinguisher to put out a fire.

When ASSE members joined the walkers in the American Heart Association Walk-A-Thon, Sample was the team captain for the group, which raised \$400. He also took the initiative to speak to his state senator, Patrick Stapleton (who is also the chairperson of the university's Council of Trustees), about a bill that would create fines for those who used professional titles in the safety industry without proper certification. As a representative of ASSE and the Safe Community Project, he joined concerned citizens and Indiana community leaders for a meeting in February regarding carbon monoxide poisoning.

Though he's been selected for the Honor Society for Safety Students, Sample seems more proud of the honors that IUP's student ASSE chapter, guided by safety science professor Bob McClay, has earned. The group has been named the Best Student Program in the nation five times more than any other chapter, and is working toward that again.



Michael Sample

Bookends

Managing Food Protection, a coursebook for the Dietary Managers Association Food Protection Training Program, was published by Kendall/Hunt Publishing. The book was written by **James Kinneer '87, M'94**, a human resources staff member and former dietary manager at Indiana Hospital.

"This is one of the best safety science programs in the nation," he said. "It's nationally and internationally respected. I looked around, and there are only eight accredited programs for safety in the nation ... and about 200 unaccredited ones."

About twelve years ago, he had started a bachelor's degree in political science at IUP and then had taken classes at the University of Pittsburgh before

Most Outstanding Member Award for his commitment in the classroom and his hands-on efforts outside class. He brought his expertise in carpentry to the community as a volunteer for Habitat for Humanity, organizing a work crew of fellow safety science students to help at a local home site.

"I don't think anybody can get an idea about their own self-worth until they are involved in

John Bender

Letters

I loved your article "The Club Scene" on club sports at IUP. I was fortunate to play four years ('72 to '76) with the IUP hockey team. I see things have come a long way since those days: a local hockey rink and, more importantly, the addition of a coach.

When I look back at those days, I wonder how the team kept going. There was no coach or staff to schedule and run practices and games, handle fund-raisers, arrange transportation to the games or the long commute to Kittanning for practices, or purchase uniforms. I would like to say that it was just a hunch of guys that were very dedicated to their sport (which we were). The fact is, one person was largely responsible: Doug Arnold. Doug Arnold was IUP hockey. He was one of the guys, but there was never any question that he was running the program.

I lost track of Doug in the early eighties. I think every player from those teams would join me in wishing Doug the best and thanking him for his hard work and dedication. Those were some of the best years of my life.

*Rick Petro '76
Princeton Junction, N.J.*

In reading the Spring, 1998, issue of *IUP Magazine*, I was deeply saddened to learn of the death of History Associate Professor Edgar Moore.

As both an undergraduate and graduate history student at IUP in the 1980s, I found Mr. Moore to be one of my favorite professors. I often took history courses outside my area of concentration just to be in one of his classes.

His no-nonsense approach was remarkably free of ideology, and I always enjoyed his selection of readings, as well as his penetrating commentary. He was also very free of his time with me, whether I needed advice or wanted to do an independent study and, above all, in filling out the dreaded recommendation forms!

Professor, I'll miss you.

*William John Shepherd, '84,
M'86
Assistant Archivist
The Catholic University of
America
Washington, D.C.*

I have finally been hooked up with *IUP Magazine*. Thanks for tracking me down. I have excellent memories of IUP and the wonderful people I had the pleasure of meeting. I'm trying to arrange a reunion and get the crew together for Homecoming '98.

I said it at my first return to IUP for Homecoming about ten years ago, and I'll say it again: IUP breeds success!

*Gary Duda '85
North Wilmington, Del.*

Ruby Reunion: Bob McGinnis '56, left, and Bill Culp '57 (showing he can still wear his KAP jacket), along with J. D. Varner '57, organized the Ruby (forty-year) Reunion of Kappa Delta Rho at Homecoming last year. The 1998 event, scheduled for the weekend of October 3, will include the brothers who graduated in 1958, 1959, and 1960. Alumni who want information about the reunion may contact Bill Culp, R.R. #1, Box 401A, Export, PA 15632; telephone 724-468-3535. Last year, Barry Manning '56 from Hayward, Calif., traveled the furthest, and Alan Wolfe made a videotape of the weekend's activities. Other attendees were Richard Anderson '57, Selden Barbor '62, Ronald Baughman '55, Phil Beltz '56, Gerald Boland '58, Fred Boss '55, John Christner '56, Joe Cina '55, Jake Corman '57, Dick Crush '58, Bill Culp '57, Don Gauntner '57, John Hicho '55, Ralph Ingersoll '57, Lawrence Isaac '57, Al Lebedda '57, M'67, Emery Letham '56, Larry Marraccini '56, Barry Moore '55, Wilber Moyer, Jim Obrock '57, Bill Shuster '56, M'71, Pete Silldorff, Glenn Simms, '58, M'70, Lee Scott Stauffer '56, Bill Tokar '93, J. D. Varner '57, Ned Wert '58, Ted Westin '58, M'65, and Vince Zugay.



Wedding well-wishers: There's nothing like a wedding to bring folks together. Standing from left are Jill Hirt Gordon '90; the bride and groom, Kelly Escueta Ayers '90 and Hank Ayers; Melissa Miller '88; Danielle Crisp '90; and Judy Secreto Sapos '87. Patrick Hetherington '90 is kneeling. After the big event last winter, Kelly and Hank reside in Reston, Va.



Photo by Larry Kasper



Around the world in a single day: As part of a Unity Week celebration last spring, a Global Village appeared in the Hadley Union Building. Displays, dancing, food, and souvenirs from thirty-five countries drew more than five hundred to the daylong event. According to Laila Pahan, director of International Affairs, "Our students are very enthusiastic about this day and enjoy being able to share their pride in their cultures and countries with the Indiana community. The Office of International Affairs is pleased to be able to organize this annual event."

THE JAZZ SINGER

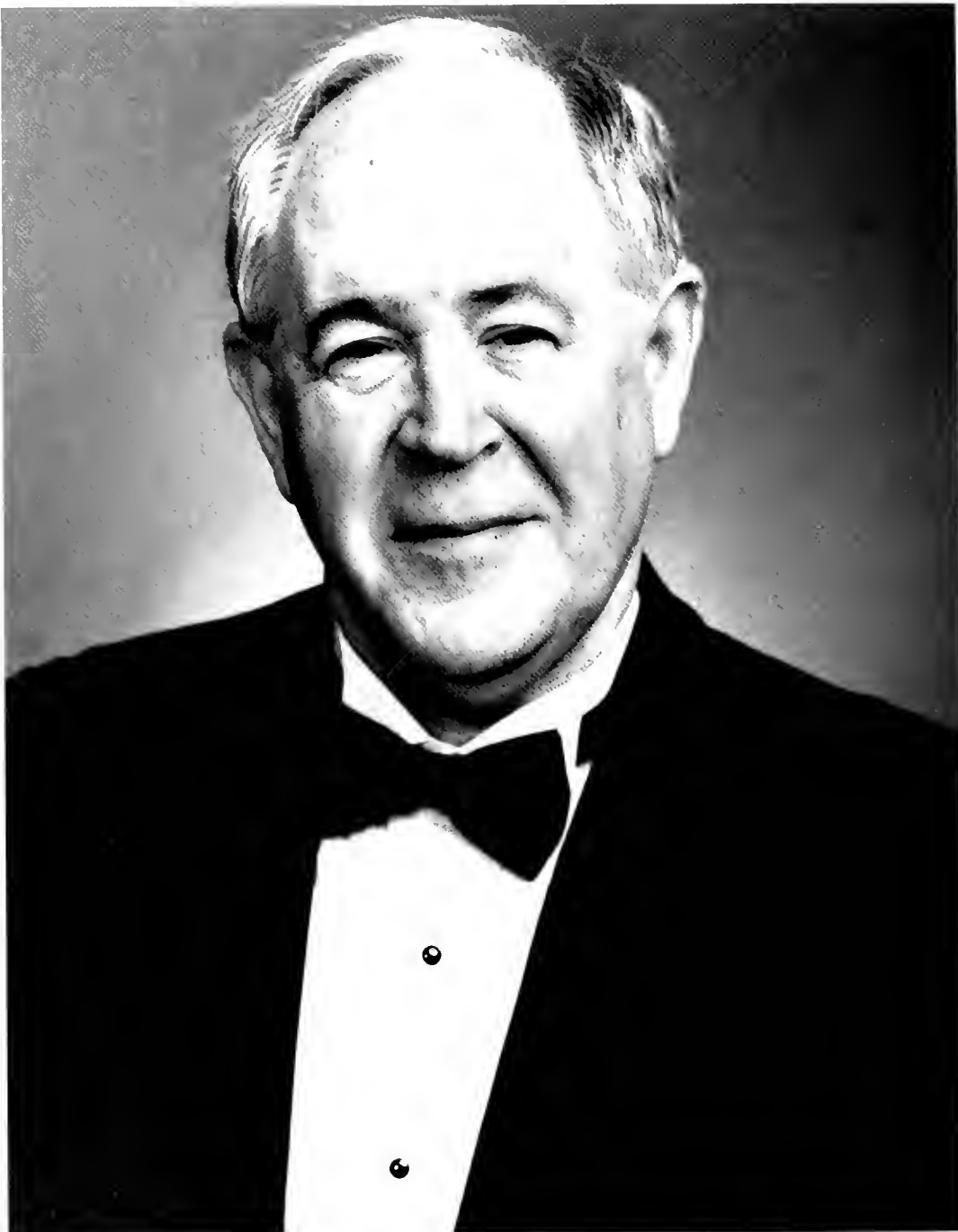
Dewey Erney grew up in Latrobe, graduated from IUP in 1960 as a Business Education major, and spent thirty-three years as a tax accountant with Texaco in Southern California. Not extraordinary? Perhaps. Why, then, is he making a name for himself in national jazz circles?

"I'm not pretty, and I don't have a good body" is what he told a *Los Angeles Times* reporter. Maybe not, but what Erney does have is a voice. It is a voice, in the words of another *Los Angeles Times* writer, that "doesn't have the caramel-colored tones of an Al Jarreau nor the haunting resonance of a Johnny Hartman. His is an Everyman's voice, working-class and committed to excellence."

Erney appears regularly at clubs throughout Southern California and has built a devoted following. During the eighties, he made three albums on vinyl and since 1994 has recorded and released three well-received CDs on the Resurgent Music label. [Check with the *IUP Magazine* office on how to obtain the CDs.]

His years at IUP were "so wonderful," Erney said. "Sometimes, I wonder how I graduated—we had such a good time. I think I was one of the very few Sig Eps involved in music. I sang with the Mellowmen and with various small jazz groups on campus and off."

According to the Long Beach (Calif.) *Press-Telegram*, Erney's current hometown newspaper, "For a guy who's not well known, jazz singer Dewey Erney sure is well known." Despite holding a full-time job until his 1997 retirement and, with his wife, Sandy, raising three children, Erney has "built a following, drawing critical acclaim for his performance and his record-



Dewey Erney

ings from a small, but faithful, legion of fans."

But his fame may spread, especially with the album releases. Erney himself told the *Press-Telegram*, "I'm not famous, but I'm not finished yet."

—Karen Gresh

John Bender



Digging in: The university's new presidential residence, being built on South Campus, looked like this in the spring. Houses in Timbersprings, one of them also under construction, are visible in the background. The residence will be adjacent to, but not accessible from, the development and will have an address of 572 University Drive.

Class Notes



1930s

In a recent letter, **Elizabeth Donghia Crivella '35** reported the towns of residence and deaths of several classmates and expressed an interest in seeing more news about her contemporaries. Two years ago, she saw the IUP Marching Band at the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade and spoke with several of the band members.

1940s

Lenore Weatherly Bayus '44 and her husband, Daniel, have moved to Lake Port Square, a retirement center in Leesburg, Fla.

1950s

After a long career in various educational settings, **Cecil Tranquill '53** worked for more than seventeen years as director of operations for Burt Hill Kosar Rittelmann Associates, an architectural and engineering firm. He recently retired from that position. Cecil and his wife, **Shirley Engelhart Tranquill '53**, live in Pittsburgh.

The first child of Michele and **David Angelo '91** also happens to be the grandchild of IUP mathematics professor **Joseph Angelo '56**.

On the 150th anniversary of the founding of Cleveland-Cliffs, Inc., the world's largest producer of iron ore pellets, **Thomas Moore '56** retired as the company's CEO and chairman. A member of various corporate and civic boards, he lives in Fairview Park, Ohio, with his wife, Beatrice.

David Wiedemann '57 has retired from teaching at Douglas County High School in Castle Rock, Colo. Over the years, he has split his time between teaching and a career in college textbook publishing with McGraw-Hill and Addison-Wesley.

A voice teacher in Eastman School of Music's Community Education Division, **Patricia Seymour Alexander '59** writes that her daughter, Renee Fleming, is an international opera artist and currently appears with the Metropolitan Opera and has made several recordings.

When he was a student, **William Schall '59, M'63** was a charter member of ISC's Phi Delta Kappa chapter. This year, he was presented the Outstanding Kappan Award by the Virginia Piedmont chapter. Bill, who retired as dean of education and human services at Longwood College, lives in Farmville, Va., with his wife, Carol.

1960s

Temple University mathematics professor **David Hill '64** has been elected a member of the Board of Governors of the Mathematical Association of America.

A former faculty member at Gannon University and president of that school's university senate, **Ronald Pauline '64, M'70** is now serving on the faculty of Juniata College.

In recognition of the level of expertise needed in such a position, IUP President Lawrence Pettit has changed the title of **Ruth Riesenman '64** from assistant to the president to executive assistant. Ruth has served in her senior-level position for the last five years.

The Southern Huntingdon County (Pa.) Board of School Directors unanimously elected **Ronald Fortney '67** to a four-and-a-half-year term as superintendent of schools. He previously served as principal of West Branch High School.

1970s

Diane Fickley Johnson '70, M'74 was named assistant superintendent of the Dallastown Area School District near York, Pa.

Manager of GE Transportation Systems, **Susan Knepper Breon '71** of Erie was presented with one of Pennsylvania's 1998 Best Fifty Women in Business awards.

Named K-Mart Corporation's Regional Pharmacist of the Year, **Harry ("Dutch") Kaufman '71** also received a community service award from a national pharmacy journal. For the last nine years, Dutch has served as president of the Uniontown (Pa.) Area School Board.



Jim Wakefield

Bringing the band to the world: Ross Brightwell '78 received the President's Medal of Distinction a few months ago in recognition of his volunteer service as tour director for the IUP Marching Band. Through Brightwell's efforts, the band has made appearances at the America's Day Parade in Paris, at the Philadelphia parade that commemorated the 200th anniversary of the U.S. Constitution, at the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade, and at scores of high school and community band festivals throughout Pennsylvania. A 1996 performance at Pittsburgh's Heinz Hall will be reprised on December 7, when the band, along with other IUP music groups, makes a return appearance there. Brightwell, who once played clarinet in the Marching Band, lives in Maple Glen, Pa.

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A math teacher, **Ronald Ploucha '71** has become a member of the Inner Circle of the Punxsutawney Groundhog Club, entitling him to wear a tuxedo and top hat and stand on the platform overlooking thousands of spectators at Gobbler's Knob every February 2. His official title in the group is stump warden. Ronald and his wife, Kae, are the parents of an IUP sophomore, Jill.

A director for Computer Sciences Corporation, **Barry Day '72** has been appointed to serve the Governor's Information Technology Initiative, which will identify initiatives to improve university-level information technology curricula and corporate relationships. He lives in Hockessin, Del.

A Certified Protection Professional and a Certified Fraud Examiner, **Ed McDonough '72** has joined Allied Security in Pittsburgh as vice president of security consulting and risk management.

A research scientist for Ferro Corporation, **Dave Duncan '73** of Penn Yan, N.Y., was included in the 1998 edition of *Who's Who of Professionals*.

Rick Blackburn '74, M'83 has been appointed associate provost at New Mexico State University.

Employed by Grayline of Niagara Falls, **Becky Wilson Reitz '75** sells sightseeing tours and provides hospitality services to tourists.

New Kensington, Pa., resident **Joanne Cecchi '76** has been named principal of Valley High School. Before serving as assistant principal, she taught business education for seventeen years.

After a career in medical photography, **Roberta Coulter '76** earned her master's degree and teaching certification at East Stroudsburg University. She taught in Bucks County before transferring

to the Danville Area School District, and she continues to photograph landscapes in black and white.

A partner in health care consulting for Ernst and Young, **John Kavka '76**, along with his wife, **Patti Cole Kavka '77**, and children, Danny, Adam, and Becky, has moved to Cincinnati.

Retired from federal Civil Service as a police officer and planning his retirement from the Army Reserves, **Gregory Miller '76** and his wife, Nancy, own and operate three businesses and live in Granite Falls, Wash. Gregory served on active duty with a medical unit during the Gulf War.

Gary Obusek '76 continues his work with Parents Without Partners by serving a second term as vice president for new members. Gary and his children, Steve and Gabbie, live in Laurel, Md.

Karen Weinhofer '76 and **Ron Kline '77** of McKees Rocks, Pa., celebrated their twentieth wedding anniversary last year.

Utility Partners of Tampa, Fla., has named **Michael Capco '78** vice president of human resources and administration, making him responsible for corporate national human resource functions.

Formerly with PNC Bank Corp., **Paula Seymour Kramer '78** has been named director of merchant strategy for Mondex USA in San Francisco.

In a promotion, **Robert Packer '78** of Clymer, Pa., was named president and chief executive officer of Home Nursing Agency in Altoona.

A Winchester, Va., newspaper recently carried a story about local art teacher **Ron Fabin '79**, who, while in England as part of a Fulbright Exchange Program in 1985, met the late Princess Diana.

To celebrate his promotion to lieutenant colonel in the Air Force, friends of **Mark Fassio '79** gathered for a seventies retro party in West Point, N.Y. Among the guests were **Marcia Irwin '79** and **Jeff Huff '80**. Mark and Jeff submitted a photo of themselves dressed in wigs, sideburns, and polyester suits, but, unfortunately, the photo's bad lighting keeps us from publishing it.

Rachel Stern Martin '79 lives in Tucson with her husband, Don, and two cats and works as a nutritionist for the University of Arizona's health service, specializing in eating disorders.

In his fifth promotion with the company, **Donald Schratz '79** has been named director of business development and financial planning at Mine Safety Appliances Company of Pittsburgh.

Robert Smith '79, M'82 has been named associate dean of students at Denison University in Granville, Ohio.

1980s

After relocating to York, Pa., **Cynthia Izzo Atterbury '80** plans to establish her consulting firm, Quality Care Nutrition Services, in her new home. Cynthia and her husband, Doug, have three daughters.

White Star Consulting of Mount Pleasant, Tenn., which is owned by **Doug Cubbison '80** and housed in a restored historic site, provides historic preservation and interpretation services to historic

sites and communities throughout the Southeast. Doug's e-mail address is whitstar@galis.com.

Having returned from a year-long assignment in England, **Marilyn Reckard Oliver '80** lives in Houston, Tex., with her husband and serves as the administrative services manager for an engineering corporation.

Associated with North Ridge Securities Corporation, **Bryan Shevak '80** of Woodbury, N.Y., has earned his Certified Financial Planner, Chartered Financial Consultant, and Chartered Life Underwriter designations and has invested more than a hundred million dollars for his clients.

John Waugaman '80 is manager of safety, security, and environment at the Navy's Allegany Ballistics Lab near Cumberland, Md., while **Janice Wicks Waugaman '81** is pursuing a degree in elementary education at Frostburg State University.

Having retired from the Army after twenty-two years of service, **Michael McManus '81**, who lives in Lock Haven, Pa., with his wife, **Mary Matevish McManus '80**, is working for Prudential Life Insurance.

With his wife, Debbie, **Dave Stoner '81** has started Family Festivals Association, Inc., a management company that organizes and promotes arts and crafts festivals. Dave and Debbie live in Irwin, Pa.

The interim vice president for student affairs at Wichita State University, **Vicky Triponey M'81** has been named vice chancellor for student affairs at the University of Connecticut.

While working on her master's degree at the University of South Florida, **Janice Cory '82** of Sarasota, Fla., is now working as a hematology applications specialist with Sysmex Corporation of America, which is based in Illinois. Sysmex's journal published one of her research papers, and Janice serves as an officer for her local chapter of the Clinical Laboratory Management Association.

Paul Hurley D'82 was named president of Trocaire College in Buffalo, N.Y.

A self-employed communications consultant, **Carrie Lacey Boerio '83** of Pickering, Ohio, designed a new license plate, the proceeds from which will benefit victims of child abuse and neglect.

Bob Marchesani '83 has been named marketing manager for Gemzar, a pharmaceutical cancer chemotherapy



Smoky Mountain reunion:

Friends from School Street and Church Street houses met in the Smoky Mountains for a reunion. The group plans to gather again in five years. In the front row are John Filus '77, Gerry Mikoleit '77, Rence Blackburn '77, Darwin Peiffer '77, and Kris Caldwell Snyder '73. In the back are Bill Walker '77, June Blotnik Sea '78, Phyllis Ferguson Peiffer '77, Maureen Ryan Griffin '78, Mike DeMastry '77, and Barbara Kulha Watterson '77.

agent sold worldwide by Eli Lilly and Company. Bob and his wife, Marlene, and two children, Allison and Andrew, live in Indianapolis.

Hollie Cipollone Hoover '83 of Gaithersburg, Md., is advertising manager of Comprint Military Publications.

State financial development specialist with the American Red Cross, **Diane Lamoureux Peters '83** travels throughout Pennsylvania for her work but is based in Lancaster County. She and her husband, Gary, have three children, and she can be reached at peters1@desuper.net.

Nancy Myers '85 graduated from Temple Dental School in May.

North Wilmington, Del., resident **Gary Duda '85**, mid-Atlantic sales manager for Hillside Distribution says, "Hey," to the Stable Neighbors. Gary writes he would like to pull together a reunion of friends for this year's Homecoming and Oak Leaf Festival, which will be held October 3.

Elizabeth Howat Hatchard '86 and **George Hatchard '86** live in Carlisle, Pa., with their daughters, Faith and Nicole. George works for Cleveland Brothers Equipment Company, and Libby works for Highmark, Inc.

Carol Heiple '86 of Blairsville reports she became a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution last year, and this year, she and her husband, Eugene, renewed their wedding vows in the church in which they were married twenty-five years ago.

Susan Smidlein Martin '86 and her husband, Rob, have two daughters, Samantha and Courtney, and live in Parker, Colo.



Healthy and at home: *As children—particularly premature infants—are released from the hospital earlier than ever, the need for pediatric home nursing services has increased. Jumping into the field is pediatric nurse Lisa Rhodes Urban '88, shown here with one of her patients. Lisa works for Home Nursing Agency in Altoona.*

Chef **Carl Rossetto '86** of Mechanicsburg, Pa., cooks and teaches at Messiah College, and he is pursuing a master's degree in health education at Penn State, while volunteering for Youth for Understanding International Exchange. He and his wife, Donelda, have three daughters, Kiersten, Ann-Elise, and Elena, and live in a 105-year-old house.

A registered dietitian working for Kramm Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center in Milton, Pa., **Nancy Reed Stahlnecker '86** is serving as by-laws chairperson of the Central Pennsylvania Dietetic Association. She is the organization's past president.

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Liberty College of Business Golf Classic

August 24, Longue Vue Golf Club, Pittsburgh, (724) 357-2520

Homecoming and Oak Leaf Festival

October 3, (724) 357-7924 or (800) 937-2487

Parade, noon; football game, 3:00 p.m.

Family Weekend

October 24, (724) 357-2302

Admissions Activities

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Transfer Express Days, 216 Pratt Hall, Mondays from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Daily Tours, when classes are in session from 11:00 to 3:00 p.m.

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Alumni Affairs

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Indiana County Alumni Chapter Annual Cornfest, College Lodge, August 21

Homecoming and Oak Leaf Festival, October 3

Johnstown Alumni Chapter Ten-Year Anniversary and Holiday Party, Bachelor's Club, December 2

Artist Series

(724) 357-2315

All performances begin at 8:00 p.m. in Fisher Auditorium.

James Brown, September 26

Trinity Irish Dance Company, October 11

Wes Craven (lecture), October 15

Smokey Joe's Café, February 10

Tom Jones, March 3

Kevin Eubanks (from the *Tonight Show*), April 10

A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum (starring Joanne Worley), April 25

Athletics

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<http://www.iup.edu/athlet/>

Note: Only home contests are listed, with the exception of football.

For complete schedules, contact the Office of Sports Information.

Football, at West Chester, September 5, 1:30 p.m.

Women's Soccer, California, September 6, 1:00 p.m.

Football, Glenville State, September 12, 7:00 p.m.

Women's Tennis, Shippensburg, September 13, 9:00 a.m.

Football, West Virginia Wesleyan, September 19, 7:00 p.m.

Football, at Bloomsburg, September 26, 1:00 p.m.

Women's Soccer, Bloomsburg, September 26, 2:00 p.m.

Football, Lock Haven, October 3 (Homecoming), 3:00 p.m.

Women's Soccer, West Virginia Wesleyan, October 3

(Homecoming), noon

Women's Tennis, Allegheny, October 6, 3:30 p.m.

Football, at Slippery Rock, October 10, 1:00 p.m.

Women's Soccer, Lock Haven, October 14, 7:00 p.m.

Women's Tennis, Slippery Rock, October 14, 3:00 p.m.

Football, Millersville, October 17, 1:30 p.m.

Women's Soccer, Kutztown, October 17, noon

Football, Clarion, October 24 (Family Weekend), 1:30 p.m.

Football, at California, October 31, 2:00 p.m.

Women's Soccer, Shippensburg, October 31, 1:00 p.m.

Women's Soccer, Sacred Heart, November 1, noon

Football, Edinboro, November 7, 1:30 p.m.

Football, at Shippensburg, November 14, 1:00 p.m.

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Peter Nero, pianist/composer/arranger/Grammy winner,

Fisher Auditorium, October 8, 8:00 p.m.

The Lively Arts

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<http://www.iup.edu/fa/events.htmlx>

Renaissance City Winds, all-Baroque program, Gorell Recital Hall,

October 13, 8:00 p.m.

University Museum

(724) 357-7930

Art in Common: A Juried Exhibition, September 10 through October 25

Ninth Annual Museum Endowment Gala, October 9

Holiday Show and Sale and Toy Exhibit, November 5 through December

For more information about IUP and its activities, access the university's World Wide Web site at <http://www.iup.edu/>.

A Pennsylvania State Police corporal, **Christopher ("Pink") Walsh '86** has taken a new assignment as an internal affairs investigator.

Stephanie Devine Yewcic '86 is a family nurse practitioner with Community Care Services of Presbyterian Hospital in Charlotte, N.C.

Stationed in Groton, Conn., **Natalie Balitski '87** is working on an associate's degree in human services at Three Rivers Technical College.

Daryl Boots '87, who works for a local intermediate unit and does his own freelance production work, namely running cameras for the Pittsburgh Pirates and Penguins, lives in Hillwood City with his wife, Ravlene, and children, Xander and Daryl Ellen. Daryl and Ravlene's wedding had a medieval masquerade/*Star Trek* theme.

A certified financial planner associated with Mutual of New York in Pittsburgh, **Victor Conrad '87** asked **Mike Conrad '88** and **Eric Conrad '90** to serve in his wedding to Debbie Tepley.

In 1995, **James Gabriel '87** established Modular Design Technology of Pittsburgh, which provides modular building solutions to satisfy commercial customer space needs. He serves as the company's president.

An account manager with Pall x, **Kathy Shearer '87** covers territory in Arizona and Southern California. Her home is in Glendale, Ariz., and she can be reached by e-mail at kmss@goodnet.com.

A part-time research associate at the University of Pittsburgh Cancer Institute, **Lori Vish Stearns '87** lives in Butler with her husband, Fritz, and daughters, Renee and Melissa.

West Long Branch, N.J., residents **Mike Benedetti '88**, who is a network engineer for Church and Dwight Company, and his wife, Lori, have two daughters, Tara and Marisa.

On the staff of Trinity United Methodist Church in Erie for more than eight years, **Jonathan Dow '88** and **Pamela McElwee Dow '88** are the parents of Bethany and Rachel. Jon is the church's director of music and worship, and Pam serves as church organist.

Michelle Wohler Dunkelberger '89 and her husband, Ben, have a son, David, and live in Newville, Pa. Michelle can be reached at bmddmoop@pa.net.

In a new position, **Heidi Huck '88** is advertising director for The Exotic Gardens, a floral company in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

In a promotion, **Mark McCall '88** was named manager of commercial underwriting for Chubb and Son in Pittsburgh.

Karla Hartman Painter '88 is a senior software test engineer for Lifecor, Inc., in Pittsburgh, while **Paul Painter '88** is senior technical consultant and network engineering manager for Plummer Slade, Inc.

A promotion with GE Capital Modular Space to branch manager has taken **Kristian Hendricks '89** to Pittsburgh. **Jeanne Meyer Hendricks '89** transferred her auditing position with PHEAA to the western portion of Pennsylvania.

A new position as vice president of operations reengineering for Grupo TACA, a Latin American airline, has taken **Mark Kuhns '89**, his wife, **Susan Brodak Kuhns '89**, and their children, Colar and Haley, to El Salvador, where they will live for the next few years.

Lawrence ("Drew") Shedwick '89 has been accepted into the Master Physician Assistant Program at Chatham College in Pittsburgh.

In addition to a Pittsburgh-based insurance agency, **James Stuncard '89** owns Gyro City and Grill in Boardman, Ohio. He plans to pursue national franchising.

A food inspector, **Kathleen Johns Sweeny '89, '92** of Bath, Pa., works for the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture.

1990s

Publishers Weekly named **Jennifer Black '90** its Representative of the Year. Jennifer, who sells for Random House, was recognized, according to an article in *PW*, because she has won the trust of booksellers in her territory, which stretches from Providence, R.I., to Pittsburgh. Jennifer is based in New Haven, Conn.

Donna Harper '90 of Portsmouth, N.H., is an editor for Standard and Poor's *Published Image* in Boston.

Raleigh, N.C., resident **Beth Spotts McIntire '90** completed her Certified NetWare Engineer designation, a series of seven exams over the course of a year.

Entering his second year in the M.B.A. program at Southern

Methodist University, **James Alvetro '91** will spend the fall semester at the Melbourne School of Business in Australia, studying and completing an internship in Sydney.

David Ferraro '91 of El Paso, Tex., is the new staff emergency room physician at Beaumont Army Medical Center.

Jennifer and **Robert Mitchell '91** of Clearfield, Pa., asked **Norman Montgomery '89** and **Lorraine Susick Stephens '95** to be the godparents of their daughter, Katlyn.

After working several years with a consulting firm, **Tracy Mason Daniels '92** formed her own book and multimedia publicity consulting agency, called Media Masters Publicity in Rutledge, Pa. One of her clients is *Highlights for Children/Boyd Mills Press*.

After **Mat Fisher '92** earned his M.B.A. degree at the University of Maryland, he and **Kristin DeGrasse Fisher '91** moved to Charlotte, N.C., where Mat works for Frito Lay, and Kristin works for Gaston County Mental Health.

In a promotion, **Jeanette Lehman Partridge '92** was named community bank officer and branch manager of Potomac Valley Bank. She lives in Gaithersburg, Md.

Lori Ratay Patten '92 and her husband, Brian, asked **Lisa Brown Stengle '90** and **Lynne Warholic Wintfield '96** to serve as attendants in their wedding.

Virginia Cavalcade, the journal of the Library of Virginia, has accepted for publication a manuscript by **Noel Pairier '92** called "Generalship at Jamestown: Lafayette and Wayne at the Battle of Jamestown Ford."

Cathleen Zilner '92, M'94 of Butler, Pa., is a pharmaceutical representative for Pfizer, Inc.

Jennifer Kwaizer Danton '93 and **Russell Danton '93** live in Hummelstown, Pa. Jennifer teaches special education in the Lower Dauphin School District, and Russell is the assistant golf pro at Hershey Country Club.

Nicole Cava-Hayward '93 and her husband, Mark, asked **Robin Lipkin '94** to serve as a bridesmaid in their wedding. Nicole and Mark now live in Copiague, N.Y.

Lenny DeMartino '93 and **Lori Tamburi '94** have asked the following alumni to participate in their wedding next year: **Steve Bahm '92**, **Tammy Hrapchak Esh '94**, and **Chrissy Smith '94**.



Team Thompson: The graduation of Linda Thompson '97 provided a great time to take a picture of an entire family of alumni. Kneeling are Dana Prola Thompson '85, Lois Barclay Thompson '62, and Laura Santacrose Thompson '89. Standing are Bill Thompson '85, Lisa Thompson-Barent '91, Linda, Lori Thompson '92, M'97, and Bob Thompson '86, M'90.

Carnegie, Pa., residents **Anne Dixon Fletcher '93** and **Jeff Fletcher '94** asked **Caren Glowa '92** to be a bridesmaid in their wedding. Anne works for Fiserv, Inc., and Jeff works for the Allegheny County Department of Health.

In February, **Julie Hazelton '93**, who just earned her master's degree in Administration of Justice, took a break from studies at Shippensburg University for a ten-day mission trip to Haiti through the United Methodist Church.

Having received her master's degree from California University, **Nicole Conn '94** is teaching middle school in Prince William County, Va., and is engaged to Clayton Niles.

Brian Grieco '94 and **Jennifer Ott '98** are engaged to be married.

Sheri Arth Palmo '94 and **Scott Palmo '96** asked the following alumni to be part of their wedding: **Jennifer Ackerman '94**, **Brenda Danglovitch '94**, **Belinda Neely Lambie '95**, **Jared Lambie '95**, **Daniel Palmo '95**, **Scott Spadafore '96**, and **Keith Veverka '96**.

Leesa Halapin Barris '95 and her husband, Scott, asked **Heather Shimer Sharp '94** to be a bridesmaid in their wedding.

In a new position, **Kevin Courtright D'95** has joined the faculty of Niagara University's Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice.

After graduating from Widener University School of Law and passing the Pennsylvania Bar Exam,

Wade Kagarise '95 joined the Blair County District Attorney's Office.

A graduate student at Indiana University, **Janet Lissan '95** is teaching in Graz, Austria, this summer as part of IU's Summer Abroad Program. In the fall, she will begin a year-long research project in Berlin, funded by her receipt of a German Academic Exchange Service award.

Corrine Anderson Leonard '95 and her husband, Douglas, who both are lieutenants in the Army and stationed at Ft. Riley, Kan., asked **Amy Wood '94** to be maid of honor in their wedding.

Homer City, Pa., resident **Randy Mogle '95** is studying for his Master of Social Work degree at the University of Pittsburgh.

A first grade teacher in the New Kensington/Arnold (Pa.) School District, **Dana Pountious '95** married Jason Fularz this summer.

Todd Brown '96 has been selected to the 1998 Appellate Moot Court Board of the Dickinson School of Law.

In April, **Wade Haubert '96** was sworn in as a police officer for the City of Bethlehem, Pa.

At the University of Tunis, **Lisa Pearia '97** is an English teaching fellow through the United States Information Agency. In addition to teaching, she established a writing center.

Lost and Found

Alumni Working in Independent Secondary Schools: Please contact Regan Houser, associate editor of *IUP Magazine*, in care of the magazine by postal service or via e-mail at rphouser@grove.iup.edu.

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Steve Andreassi: Please contact Natalie Balitski at NSSF PO 300 Subbase, Groton, CT 06349; (860) 629-3204.

Adam Bishop and Other Friends of Herb Young: Please contact Herb Young at hyoung@mail.cvn.net or 266 Philadelphia Avenue #1, Chambersburg, PA 17201; (717) 263-1296.

Kathy Connelly: Please contact Michelle Boutin Komisor at (610) 532-2636.

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Allan Gilbert: Please contact Vincent ("Chap") Ciabattone at 3135 Robbins Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19149.

Paul Rennick: Please contact Carl Rossetto at 118 Keller Street, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055.

Births

1970s

To **Leland Smith '70, M'75** and Charlotte Smith, a son, Jordan Andrew, March 9, 1998. To **Dave Duncan '73** and Marcia Duncan, a daughter, Abbey Michelle, November 1, 1997. To **Lee Cole '75** and Loni Cole, a daughter, Erin Eilish Brianna, August 8, 1997. To **Emily Medic Garcia '76, M'79** and Carlos Garcia, a daughter, Gabrielle Marie, February 12, 1998. To **Craig Ardrey '77** and Carmel Ardrey, a daughter, Lillian Jane, December 23, 1996. To **Frank Tatone '77, M'81** and Gia Tatone, a daughter, Amelia, December 14, 1997. To **Donald Kenney '78, M'80** and Lael Kenney, a daughter, Madison Taylor, May 8, 1998. To **Cindy Lynch Paret '78** and Ronald Paret, a daughter, Amy Lynch, March 4, 1998.

1980s

To **Cynthia Gariano Eckerd '81** and John Eckerd, a daughter, Erin Elizabeth, April 5, 1994, and a daughter, Emily Elise, April 24, 1998. To **Kirby Cartwright Kegel '81, M'82** and Scott Kegel, a daughter, Payton Hill, April 12, 1997. To **Maryann Tazik Parker '82** and James Parker, a daughter, Devon Grace, April 17, 1998. To **Tim Giltayle '83** and Roberta Gilfoyle, a daughter, Delaney Erin, March, 31, 1998. To **Pete Hale '83** and Lu Ann Hale, a son, Hunter, December 17, 1997. To **Debbie Brenner Walko '83** and Lawrence Walko, a daughter, Lindsey Taylor, January 9, 1998. To **Robert Hoch '84** and Billie Hecker Hoch '85, a son, Paul Samuel, October 11, 1997. To **Michelle Boutin Komisor '84** and Mike Komisor, a son, James Michael, March 19, 1998. To **Paula Anderson Hakanson '85** and Roy Hakanson, a son, Brian Patrick, April 22, 1998. To **Beverly Green Landry '85** and Mark Landry '85, a son, Ryan Matthew, April 15, 1998. To **Denise Caracciolo Marchioni '85** and Tony Marchioni, a daughter, Olivia Grace, September 12, 1997. To **Frank Zbignewich '85** and Karen Zbignewich, a daughter, Meghan Ruth, February 5, 1998. To **Laurie Bryce Casper '86** and Daniel Casper, a son, Brian Stanley, November 4, 1997. To **Roxanne Rogari Castellanos '86** and Carlos Castellanos, a son, Nicholas Michael, March 26, 1998. To **Anne Kozar Oeluliis '86** and Jamie Detuliis, a daughter, Emily Anne, May 4, 1998. To **Paula Trout Fricker '86, M'92** and Edward Fricker, a daughter, Rachel Anne, January 3, 1998. To **Elizabeth Howat Hatchard '86** and George Hatchard '86, a daughter, Faith Elyse, January 16, 1998. To **Ron Muffie '86** and Dina Carrieri Muffie '89, a daughter, Ashley Elizabeth, December 9, 1996. To **Sherri Nickel-Milstone M'86** and David Milstone, a son, Matthew, October 15, 1997. To **Christopher Walsh '86** and Patricia Walsh, a son, McLean Patrick, January 23, 1998. To **Romy Micco Wightman '86** and Scott Wightman, a daughter, Julia Anne, October 15, 1997. To **Guy DeRose '87** and Michelle DeRose, a son, Michael, April 25, 1998. To **Christine Papik O'Connell '87** and Kevin O'Connell, a daughter, Kelly Marie, August 31, 1997. To **Lori Vish Stearns '87** and Fritz Stearns, a daughter, Renee Annalie, September 17, 1997. To **Christina Laganella Zeiders '87** and Rick Zeiders, a daughter, Hanna Teresa, February 7, 1998. To **Rob Ceribelli '88** and Carolyn Crate Ceribelli '89, a son, Michael Dean, November 23, 1997. To **Bradley Crooks '88** and Rebecca Croyle

Crooks '92, a daughter, Lauren Michelle, January 2, 1998. To **Shari Fisher '88** and David Sinclair, a daughter, McKenzie Phillips, January 24, 1998. To **Barbara Frankovich Foster '88** and Mark Foster, a daughter, Sarah Ann, March 20, 1998. To **Mark McCall '88** and Allene McCall, a son, Patrick John, February 14, 1998. To **Tammy Patterson Manko '88, M'91** and Richard Manko '96, a son, Peyton Dilisio, May 17, 1998. To **Janine Spacht Mickel '88** and Richard Mickel, a daughter, Jenna Marie, April 8, 1998. To **Brian O'Shea '88** and Rhonda Foremsky O'Shea '88, a son, Ian Michael, February 3, 1998. To **Daniel Owens '88** and Jean Maffa Owens '88, a daughter, Brooke Carmen, March 26, 1998. To **Karla Hartman Painter '88** and Paul Painter '88, a daughter, Kirsten Louise, March 26, 1998. To **Susan Kranack Bruno '89** and Dan Bruno, a son, Jacob Anthony, March 5, 1997. To **Karen Ferguson Carpenter '89** and Arleigh Carpenter, a son, Arleigh Burke, Jr., March 8, 1998. To **Marylou Toney DeCamillis '89** and Paul DeCamillis, a son, Andrew Carmine, July 7, 1997. To **Michelle Wohler Dunkelberger '89** and Ben Dunkelberger, a son, David Edward, June 2, 1996. To **Pete Flagg '89** and Elaine Radell Flagg '91, twins, a daughter, Marissa Michelle, and a son, Douglas Howard, April 9, 1998. To **Mark Kuhns '89** and Susan Brodak Kuhns '89, a daughter, Haley Katherine, February 20, 1997. To **Oan Lehman '89** and Amy Benjamin Lehman '90, a daughter, Amber Elizabeth, April 21, 1997. To **Vicki Short Patrick '89** and Christopher Patrick '90, a daughter, Sarah Ann, February 1, 1998.

1990s

To **John Fetchkan '90** and Karen Fetchkan, a son, Brock John, April 2, 1998. To **Jeffrey Herman '90** and Vivian Kunka Herman '92, a son, Benjamin Thomas, March 19, 1998. To **Amy Seaman Urbaniak '90** and Frank Urbaniak '91, a son, Frank Edward, March 10, 1998. To **Jane Anderson Wymer '90** and Randal Wymer, a daughter, Catherine Elizabeth, January 20, 1998. To **Deborah Cassidy Zeiders '90** and Bradley Zeiders, a daughter, Haleigh Nicole, March 22, 1998. To **David Angelo '91** and Michelle Angelo, a son, Dominic David, March 15, 1998. To **Joanne Iadicicco Batty '91** and Jeffery Batty, a son, Jared Paul, March 11, 1998. To **Molly Miles Franjione '91** and Joe Franjione, a son, Joseph Anthony, October 11, 1997. To **Robert Mitchell '91** and Jennifer Mitchell, a daughter, Katlyn Marie, December 18, 1997. To

Keith Wolfe '91 and Patty Wolfe, a son, Hunter David, March 25, 1998. To **Vickie White Colonna '92** and Joe Colonna, a daughter, Kaela Nicole, January 20, 1998. To **Rebecca Croyle Crooks '92** and **Bradley Crooks '88**, a daughter, Lauren Michelle, January 2, 1998. To **Shelly Goodman Earp '92** and Brad Earp, a daughter, Alayna Rose, April 16, 1998. To **Melissa Dubyak Kinney '92** and Bruce Kinney, a son, Evan Ryan, April 5, 1998. To **Lisa Smith Metheney '92** and Michael Metheney, a son, Joshua William, June 7, 1997. To **Dana Steffy Ray '92** and **Eric Ray '92**, a son, Justin David, June 4, 1994, and a son, Nathan Michael, February 7, 1998. To **Tonya Yohn Woody '92** and Doug Woody, a son, Benjamin Hayden, August 28, 1997. To **Janis Williams Gerney '93** and Mark Gerney, a son, Evan Wayne, February 27, 1998. To **Christine Reardon Kardish '93** and Thomas Kardish, a daughter, McKenna Elizabeth, August 8, 1993, a son, Christian Thomas, June 9, 1996, and a daughter, Julianna Christine, September 19, 1997. To **Dana Young Nolan '93** and **Sean Nolan '93**, a daughter, Hope Nicole, February 24, 1998. To **Chris Rihn '93** and LuAnn Rihn, a son, Colin Christopher, January 10, 1996. To **Debra Huff Jordan '94** and Troy Jordan, a daughter, Kathryn Jean, December 1, 1997. To **Tonya Harrold Kent '94** and Sean Kent, a daughter, Lindsay Noel, December 31, 1997. To **Tabitha Stitt Reed '94** and Mark Reed, a son, Solomon Mark, December 1, 1996. To **Amy Sliitko Barkhimer '95** and Gary Barkhimer, a son, Evan James, December 10, 1997. To **Brian Carmichael '95** and Kristi Carmichael, a daughter, Hayley Elizabeth, December 11, 1997. To **Billie Jo Kuhn Wahler '95** and Richard Wahler, a daughter, Taylor Marie, August 22, 1997. To **Randall Klingensmith '96** and Beth Klingensmith, a son, Jayson Garrett, March 23, 1998. To **Richard Manko '96** and **Tammy Patterson Manko '88, M'91**, a son, Peyton Dilisio, May 17, 1998.

Marriages

1980s

Hollie Cipollone '83 to Craig Hoover, April 4, 1998. **Scott McGuigan '84** to **Lynn Hanraty '85**, March 28, 1998. **Victor Conrad '87** to Debbie Tepley, January 17, 1998. **James Gabriel '87** to Caterina Febbraro, July 19, 1997. **Beth Ann Zalitznock '87** to Kris Schultz, August 23, 1997. **Donita Burns '88** to Stephen Calef, April 11, 1998. **Cindy Macek '88** to Tom Murphy, July 4, 1997.

1990s

Kelly Escueta '90 to Hank Ayers, December 20, 1997. **Paul Radosta '91** to Susan Weideli, July 12, 1997. **Lorene Ratay '92** to Brian Patten, November 8, 1997. **Nicole Cava '93** to Mark Hayward, November 29, 1997. **Anne Dixon '93** to Jeff Fletcher '94, April 25, 1998. **Sheri Arth '94** to Scott Palmo '96, October 4, 1997. **Carla Prosser '94** to James Faulkner, July 5, 1997. **Corrine Anderson '95** to Douglas Leonard, April 25, 1998. **Leesa Halapin '95** to Scott Barris, May 30, 1998. **Randall Klingensmith '96** to Beth Liedtke, May 18, 1996. **Emily Reich '97** to Kevin Stevenson, May 21, 1998. **Elizabeth Swanson '97** to Scott Garverick, October 11, 1997.

Deaths

1916: Charlotte Swan

1929: Mildred Friedberg, Mary Caroline Gessler

1944: Sara Jean Gruber Bicker. **1945:** MarJeanne Williamson Bell. **1946:** Alma Mishler Erhard

1962: Donald McMillen. **1967:** Ruth Burgess Hatch. **1969:** Beverly Cale Stiver

1970: Robert Prokay

1981: Karen Webb Olson. **1988:** Tracy Learn Yarnick

Other Deaths

John Henry, a graphics illustrator in the IUP Library's Media Resources area since 1973, died April 9, 1998.

Rebecca Irvin, a freshman at IUP and a music education major, died April 28, 1998.

Stanley Lore, a psychology professor at IUP for twenty-three years before his retirement in 1975, died April 30, 1998.

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Daniel Perlono, Music, Italy; Edward Platt, Political Science, Hungary; Thomas Schaub, Philosophy and Religious Studies, Jordan; Ronald Shafer '68, M'70, English, Egypt; Harold Sommer (two awards), German, Germany; Dan Tannacito, English, Turkey; Eugene Thibadeau (three awards), Foundations of Education, England and Hungary; Dorothy Vogel, History, Germany; Larry Vold, Professional Studies in Education, Nigeria; Michele Wagner (two awards), History, Burundi, Central Africa, and Belgium; Susan Wheatley, Music, Austria; George Wiley, History, England; Gwendolyn Willis (two awards), Communications Media, Nigeria, West Africa, and Germany; Lorraine Wilson, Music, Thailand; Carol Young, Spanish and Classical Languages, Argentina.

In at least one case, a Fulbright brought a faculty member to the U.S.: V. J. Wijekumar of the Physics Department studied at Ohio State, having traveled there from Sri Lanka.

Vice President for Institutional Advancement Joan M. Fisher expressed the university's admiration for the Fulbright recipients: "We are proud of the academic accomplishments and ambassadorial contributions that these faculty members have made to the global intellectual or educational community. We applaud them."

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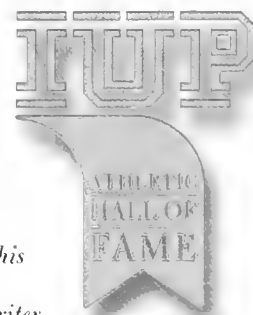
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- **Chris Beck-Doolittle '85**, Gymnastics National Trendsetter
- **Dr. Elisa Benzon-Rosenheim '88**, Cross Country/Track and Field All-American
- **Joe DeLise '58**, Basketball National Tournament Team Top Scorer
- **Eugene DeMatt '42**, Basketball Pre-World War II All-Stater
- **Ken Greene '36**, Football/Basketball/Baseball/Track and Field Star
- **Norm "Luke" Lewandowski '57**, Football/Baseball Recordholder
- **Dr. Ruth Martin-Haude '58**, Women's Sports Trailblazer (Tennis)
- **Bob Miscik '80**, Baseball Pro Player/Manager/Texas Rangers Staff
- **Tom Modrak '65**, Football Executive. Pittsburgh Steelers/Philadelphia Eagles
- **Frank Mount Pleasant 1911-13**, Football Coach/Olympic Track Pioneer
- **Boyd Stroup '49**, Football/Basketball/Baseball Achiever; Educator
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"To the best of my knowledge, there's no other food facility in the commonwealth of Pennsylvania where you're going to find anything as entertaining as the things we come up with," says Jeff Miller, chairperson of the Department of Hotel, Restaurant, and Institutional Management.

that they're outnumbered only by youngsters sporting plastic mouse ears, it seems.

One place you're not likely to find an HRIM graduate is the unemployment line. The dilemma a typical senior faces is not so much finding work as it is wading through dozens of offers and deciding which one to accept.

"We're 100 percent employed following graduation," says Wingard. "Probably the most impressive thing is when Penn State's food service people come down here and hire our graduates. That says a lot."

"I think being a graduate of IUP's HRIM department carries a lot of weight," says Tim Fazio, who earned his degree in 1995 and now works as director of catering at Beaver College near Philadelphia. "Employers know the name. It's got the recognition."

"People know about IUP," says 1989 grad Jim Covelli, employment manager for King's Family Restaurants. "When I tell people I graduated from that program, I can tell there's a level of respect there. Everyone knows they train their students well."

Consequently, HRIM grads are in demand at restaurants, hotels, and resorts all across the country. And even beyond.

"I'm constantly running across people who work for Marriott and ARAMARK and Eurorest who are consistently hiring IUP grads from the HRIM department," Denson says. "The industry people are saying that the preparation IUP gives you puts them head and shoulders above grads from other programs."

The IUP Culinary Academy in Punxsutawney provides an additional course of study for HRIM graduates to follow, should they have an interest in expanding upon the food production competencies presented within the HRIM curriculum. HRIM graduates can enroll in the academy program with advanced standing, having been exempted from about a third of their programs, due to completion of their HRIM coursework. Quite a few students also enter the HRIM major after having graduated from the academy—also earning advanced standing within the HRIM curriculum.

By the time they accept a diploma, HRIM students are knowledgeable in every aspect of the hospitality industry, including the business end. That's no accident. They study accounting, marketing, business law, cost management, and purchasing as well as HRIM courses such as Food and Beverage Management, Catering and Banquet Management, Introduction to Tourism, Hotel Systems Management, and Institutional Management.

There's even a gaming class. Faculty member Lincoln Marshall, co-author of a textbook on gaming and casino operations, shepherds his students on Atlantic City field trips, where they observe first-hand the principles covered in class. And perhaps play the slots in their free time.

That's not to suggest the life of an HRIM major is all fun and games.

"One of the things we stress in the early stages here, we try to explain to them they're going to have to pay a lot of dues," Wingard says. "So we have a kind of work ethic that comes out of that group of students that just amazes everyone. That's another reason employers like our students. Not only are they well-trained and -educated, they have a real good work ethic. They're willing to put in those long hours."

Students invest a prodigious amount of time in the program. Apart from classroom responsibilities, they are expected to gain at least three months' experience in some facet of the hospitality industry, anything from working "at a swimming pool food stand to working at a hotel," according to Miller. This noncredit experience helps them build their credentials and land better internships, some in exotic locales. HRIM students have interned in England, Germany, Spain, and South America. Many head out west or fix their sights on Disney World, which actively recruits at IUP.

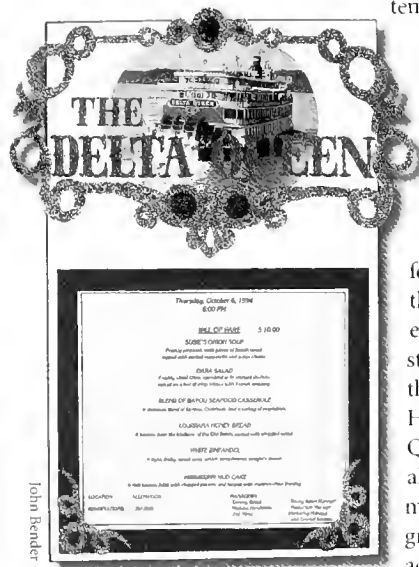
"By the time you're finished here, you have close to a thousand hours of work experience, and that's not including anything else you get at a regular job that you might hold during breaks or weekends or whatever," says Miller. "That's probably above average for a hospitality program to require. So I think our students, when they come out of school, are positioned very attractively for companies. They know that IUP students have been out gaining some practical work experience and not just spending their time listening to somebody in a classroom."

They know, too, that IUP students have passed perhaps the most arduous test the HRIM curriculum asks of them: to transform the Allenwood into something it's not, utilizing nothing more than their skills, creativity, and imagination. And many a Thursday night, HRIM majors pull it off.

As if Aladdin's magic carpet were at their beck and call, they've whisked visitors away to the Australian Outback, to Beirut, to the Taj Mahal, to Mexico, to the Parthenon. They've escorted them back in time to the Boston Tea Party, to Czechoslovakia on the eve of the Nazi invasion, to the

Mexican siege at the Alamo, to Scarlett's beloved Tara.

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An array of menus from past dinners



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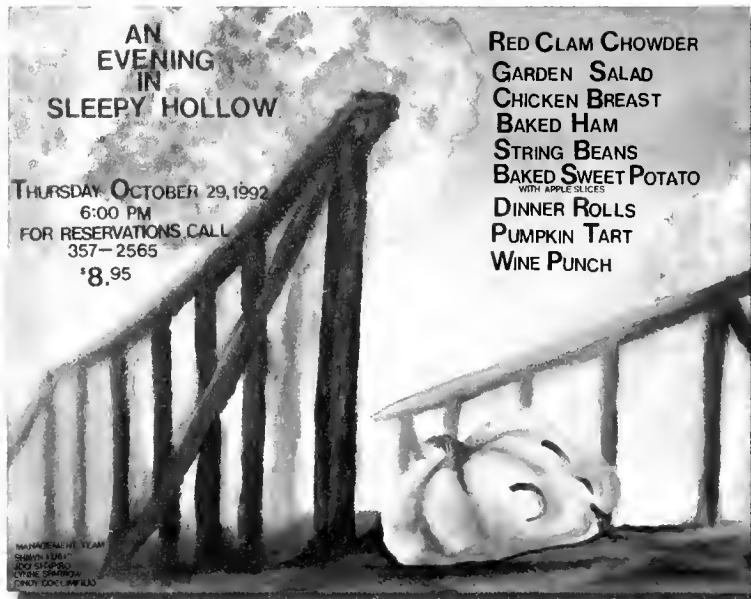
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For dinner with the Cleavers, the Allenwood entrance was decorated to resemble the fictional family's front door, right down to the house number (211) that graced their Pine Street residence. Ward's pipe and a *Life* magazine from 1957—the year *Leave It to Beaver* premiered on CBS—were situated near his easy chair in a makeshift living room. Visitors almost expected smarmy Eddie Haskell to appear, full of compliments for June and ridicule for poor Theodore.

"The kids do some remarkable things with the Allenwood," says Miller. "They might make it a hall in King Arthur's castle, or they might make it an outdoor setting. For example, we did a *M*A*S*H* dinner last spring. The students essentially draped the entire dining room in camouflage netting they got from the ROTC people here, so that when you came in, you felt you were stepping into a mess tent. It was amazing."

That word might also describe how the three hundred-student HRIM department has evolved into the second-largest in Pennsylvania, behind only Penn State's. The program has tripled in size since Miller—a Penn State graduate—arrived on campus in 1983. In addition to the Allenwood dinners, HRIM students provide lunch service for the public and for students at the University School. It's all part of a tradition that dates to the Normal School era.

"Our roots can be traced to 1916," says Miller. "Over in McElhaney, they used to have a lunch room where an early form of our program would prepare lunches, just like we do here in the Allenwood. So we really should be quite proud of the fact that we're one of the old players on the block."

The HRIM department is justly proud of the Allenwood, too. The theme dinners debuted in 1988 when

students replicated a Vermont country inn. Eight are scheduled each semester, offering exceptional meals and service and an unforgettable experience.

Stepping through the Allenwood's entrance on Thursday nights is akin to stepping into another world—or another time. Patrons have been magically transported to Salem during the 1692 witchcraft hysteria, to Cleopatra's Egypt, to the first Thanksgiving, and to medieval Canterbury, where utensils and plates, to the guests' chagrin, were nowhere to be found.

Rather than deduct points for an oversight, Miller commended his students. After all, they were only following his precepts. Because strict authenticity is a hallmark of the Allenwood dinners, visitors were compelled to eat with their fingers, in true medieval fashion. While an extreme example, it shows that Food Systems II students strive for historical accuracy in the menu, place settings, costing, decor, and atmosphere.

After Miller approved a theme focusing on the battle of the Little Bighorn, students conducted exhaustive research to determine the typical rations for army soldiers in 1876 and what food items might have been available to General Custer's Seventh Cavalry as its soldiers roamed the northern plains. A more challenging objective was to convince patrons they were dining in nineteenth-century Montana, not twentieth-century Pennsylvania.

"What we did was transform the Allenwood into an exterior setting. All the lights were turned off and the students made, with some Christmas lights and cellophane, several campfires," Miller recalls. "And through the theater department they got a full-sized wagon, which they wheeled across the Oak Grove and brought in through the back dock. We positioned it in our front dining room and set up a chow line, serving from the back of the wagon. The servers were dressed as cavalry troopers. We had crickets playing over the sound system, and we had a guitar player who sounded like somebody you might have heard around a campfire."

Of course, the meal that night far surpassed anything Custer's men might likely have consumed on the eve of their fatal foray into Indian territory. Visitors dined on beef stew, baked beans, biscuits, fried potatoes, cornbread, and hot apple dumplings. Even when the theme evokes Spartan surroundings—Dinner at Alcatraz comes to mind—guests are treated to a lavish multi-course repast, replete with wine or ale on most occasions.

For example, the menu for a past *Titanic* dinner (a theme reprised this spring because of the current surge of interest in the ill-fated ocean liner) featured hors d'oeuvres, mushroom caps stuffed with crabmeat, cream of barley soup, sauté of chicken lyonnaise, château potatoes, asparagus, steamed snow peas, French bread, golden champagne punch, and chocolate eclairs.

One of the classrooms recently renovated in Ackerman Hall, with the help of corporate support for the Department of Hotel, Restaurant, and Institutional Management.



Corporate Cooperation

John Bender

According to Hotel, Restaurant, and Institutional Management chairperson Jeffrey Miller, several corporate gifts in recent years have contributed to the success of the department.

Special emphasis has been placed on the renovation of classroom space in Ackerman Hall. After an extensive site study, a case for gaining private support was prepared and taken to companies that have had a long-term recruiting relationship with the HRIM department. To date, Hoss's, Eat 'n Park, King's Family Restaurants, Crown American, and ARAMARK have contributed, and Phase I of the renovation project is complete.

Because of generous corporate support, two classrooms have been renovated; one will house a computer laboratory, and the other will be used as lecture/demonstration space. Phase II of this project will emphasize technology and state-of-the-art equipment and will require additional private support.

Beyond this special project, the department also receives support for scholarships, program improvements, and instructional equipment. Other corporate donors include Marriott Corporation, Houston's Restaurants, McDonald's, and Pizza Hut.

Miller will be working with the university's new corporate development officer, Hank Pliske, to continue to garner support from corporations to strengthen the program. Pliske succeeds Barbara Ender, now executive director of the Foundation for IUP, who played a key role in obtaining the gifts described above.

More information about corporate participation is available from Jeffrey Miller, Chairperson, Department of Hotel, Restaurant, and Institutional Management, at (724) 357-4440 or by e-mail at jmiller@grove.iup.edu.

Such gourmet feasts are typical of the Allenwood. So are bills that rival the bill of fare in their power to astound: Incredibly, the cost never exceeds \$9.

"I get a lot of positive feedback on the Allenwood," says Hal Wingard, dean of the College of Health and Human Services. "Not only do you have a meal, but you have all of the history behind the meal. And the price is right. It's the best meal and deal in town."

The students benefit along with the guests. The Allenwood dinners provide them with an opportunity to test the waters of management without the pressure of actually being on the job. What's more, they learn to contribute in a variety of ways. Students might prepare dishes one week and wash them the next, or reserve tables one week and serve meals the next.

"The Allenwood gave us hands-on experience in learning how a fine dining establishment runs," says Marvin Denson, a 1993 graduate—and former football All-American—who works in Baltimore as a director of food services for The Wood Company. "From designing the menus to the production of those items to the service to the clean-up, it gave us the full scope of what the business really is. It was kind of the highlight of everything we did. It made all the hard work worthwhile to see patrons enjoying a fine meal and excellent ambience."

Food Systems II students must also locate and purchase the ingredients for their dinners, which occasionally entails a trip to Pittsburgh, especially if an ethnic meal is planned. They are obligated to stay within certain cost parameters, just as in a regular restaurant.

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HRIM graduates work in virtually every segment of the hospitality industry. They're employed at dining establishments ranging from McDonald's to private upscale restaurants, at hotels, at resorts, at casinos, on cruise lines. IUP grads are so plentiful at Disney World

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The Miracle Worker

By Bob Fulton

The most productive road trip in IUP swimming history did not feature a single victory.

A paradox? No, call it a miracle.

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The 1996 season had barely expired when first-year coach Peter Ward embarked on a ten-day, 4,000-mile recruiting odyssey that would test his salesmanship, not to mention his backside.

"They gave me a state car, said here's the keys, here's a gas card, go do what you have to do," Ward recalls. "That was some trip."

He lived on fast food, slept in claustrophobic motel rooms, and visited more out-of-the-way places than Charles Kuralt. But the investment paid enormous dividends in this, the third year of Ward's tenure.

The men's and women's teams both established new standards for dual meet victories (the men finished 11-1, the women 11-2), records fell like raindrops in monsoon season, and both teams reached unprecedented heights at the NCAA Division II meet: the women placed seventh, the men thirteenth. Moreover, a record thirteen swimmers earned All-America honors, six of them in three events or more.

"We accomplished a great deal more than we ever had," says Ward, who was voted the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference women's Coach of the Year for his efforts. "Between the men and the women, we ended up breaking seventeen school records. And, many of those got broken over and over. So I was pretty pleased with the season."

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"Both Rachel and Brad had gone to big Division I programs [Slade to Louisiana State, Stockholm to Arkansas, where Ward swam and later served as an assistant], but things had fallen through for one reason or another and they were no longer swimming," Ward recalls. "When I went to see Brad in Arkansas, he was flipping burgers at Hooters. Rachel was waiting tables in Baton Rouge."

Slade no longer pours water; she knives through it.

After sitting out last year, Slade opened this season by qualifying for the NCAA meet the first time she hit the water. A week later, she shattered two school records. At nationals, Slade finished second in the 200 butterfly (2:05.59) by a mere four hundredths of a second. Stockholm also lost by a hair, placing second in the 100 fly (49.97) by twenty-six hundredths of a second.

"Those were heartbreakers," Ward says. "But I said to both of them after their races, it might sting for a little bit, but think about how far you've come from two years



Coach Peter Ward, center, with swimmers Rachel Slade and Nicolaj Boest

ago, when you were out of the water, out of shape, and out of school."

Their comeback tale mirrors that of a men's program seemingly given up for dead. IUP did not even sponsor a team during the 1994-95 season, and only a skeleton squad represented the university a year later.

"I showed up for our first men's practice, and we had four guys in the pool," Ward recalls. "That's when I wondered if we were going to reach our goals."

Or even survive. Fortunately, he convinced several members of IUP's water polo squad to join the team. One of them, Brian Kline, won a PSAC championship in the 200 backstroke a few months later and, against all odds, earned All-America honors at the national meet. Ward had sparked a revival to rival that of Lazarus.

"I look back and wonder how we did it," he says. "I was fortunate with recruiting and picking up guys like Brad Stockholm and Nicolaj Boest. They came here and gave me instant results."

Boest capped his freshman season by placing fourth at nationals in the 200 backstroke. The Great Dane also collected the PSAC men's Rookie of the Year award. The irony is that Boest *isn't* the Danish swimmer Ward coveted.

"One of my swimmers out of Indian River, while they were there, became friends with this guy from Denmark," Ward explains. "When this kid went back to Denmark, I started recruiting him. During the recruiting process, he says, 'I have this friend who might be interested,' and he gave me Nikolaj's phone number."

Boest ultimately chose to cast his lot with IUP, but the friend didn't. This year, Boest joined Stockholm, Paikai, Steve Oatman, and Jason Williams as All-Americans for a men's team that was on the brink of extinction not so long ago.

Sophomore Jen Haring earned All-America honors in five events (all relays) to lead the women, while Slade, Linda Wentz, and Heather Packard left nationals as four-time All-Americans. Nichole Card, Julie Bober, Jessica Sutter, and Dina Jones round out the All-America roster for 1998.

Of those thirteen swimmers, nine return next season, fueling high hopes. Mention *Great Expectations* to Ward and he'll think you're referring to his team, not Dickens' work.

"I hate to make predictions because then you have to live up to them," he says. "We finished seventh and thirteenth at the NAAs. People say that's great—and it is—but I'm sitting there going, 'What are we gonna do next year?'"

Yes, Ward faces a formidable challenge: How can he top the most successful swimming season in school history? A suitable encore might hinge on recruiting more swimmers like Stockholm, Slade, and Boest.

But where to find them? Hmm. Sounds like it's time for another road trip. 🐾

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IUP

For **Frank Cignetti '60**, stepping down as IUP's athletic director was just a matter of time. There simply weren't enough hours in the day to manage the athletic department, coach the football team, and fulfill family and personal obligations. Especially during the season. "When you're involved in both, there's no downtime," Cignetti said. "Basically, it's been a seven-days-a-week job, twelve to fourteen hours a day, from August to the end of the season. It was becoming too overwhelming." So, after twelve years in a dual role, Cignetti resolved to relinquish one of his titles. "Coaching is what I really wanted to do," he said, explaining his decision. "That's what I find most satisfying." Associate athletic director **Frank Condino** is serving as interim AD while university officials conduct a national search for Cignetti's successor.

The IUP Athletic Hall of Fame will welcome twelve new members September 12 in ceremonies on campus. The third induction class features **Ruth Martin-Haude '58**, the first female to compete in varsity sports at IUP, predating the actual introduction of a women's athletic program (she played four seasons on the men's tennis team); **Joe Delise '58**, the fourth-leading scorer (1,510 points) in men's basketball history and a starter on IUP's first national tournament team in 1958; **Tom Modrak '65**, who played football at IUP and now makes his living in the sport—as the newly named Philadelphia Eagles, director of football operations; **Norm Lewandowski '57**, a four-year starter in football and baseball who still holds the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference record for interceptions in a game (five); gymnast **Chris Beck-Doolittle '85**, the first female to earn All-America honors at IUP; **Ken Greene '36**, who earned four letters each in

football, basketball, baseball, and track and field; **Elisa Benzoni-Rosenhein '88**, an All-American in cross country and track and field; **George Wise '62**, who posted the second-best career scoring average (19.3) in IUP's basketball history (minimum two seasons) and led the Indians to a PSAC championship in 1960; **Boyd Stroup '49**, a standout in football, basketball, and baseball both before and after World War II; **Gene DeMott '42**, a three-time all-state basketball player; All-America shortstop **Bob Miscik '80, M'89**, who currently serves as the Texas Rangers' roving minor-league infield instructor; and Olympic track and field participant **Frank Mount Pleasant**, who coached the Indians to Pennsylvania Normal School football titles in 1912 and 1913.

IUP successfully defended its PSAC golf championship behind senior **Craig Mankins**, who picked an opportune moment to win the first tournament of his collegiate career. **Fred Joseph** repeated as conference Coach of the Year, and freshman **Ryan Sikora**, who placed third in the tourney, was named Rookie of the Year. Sikora then won the individual title at the NCAA Division II North Region tournament, where IUP finished second. The Indians were headed to nationals as *IUP Magazine* went to press.

Senior guard-forward **Rodney Horton** wrapped up his brief IUP basketball career in style by earning second-team honors on the Daktronics NCAA Division II All-America squad. In addition, the transfer from Dayton was voted the PSAC West Player of the Year. Horton scored 22.8 points per game to lead the PSAC and finish eighth in Division II. Only **Jack Crossan '56** produced a higher season average (three times) than Horton. "I thought Rodney would be a force in the conference, but I didn't see him putting up the numbers that he did," said coach **Gary Edwards**. "He's just a tremendous offensive talent. I think he's probably one of the most exciting players ever to play at IUP."

Junior guard **Molly Carr** earned a second-team berth on the GTE

Name

By **Bob Fulton**

College Division Academic All-America basketball squad by leading IUP to its first postseason appearance in ten years while maintaining her 4.0 cumulative grade-point average. Said coach **Sandy Thomas**, "In every sense of the word, Molly is the epitome of what a student-athlete is all about." Carr was a third-team GTE selection in softball last year.

Coach **Bob Rukavina '83** guided the University of Pittsburgh-Johnstown men's basketball team to its best season ever. The Mountain Cats finished with a 24-5 record and posted the first NCAA tournament victory in school history.

Former IUP All-American **Tammy Donnelly Slusser '85** finished third in the Pittsburgh



Diane Shuda Spangler '74

Marathon with a time of 2:46:24. Slusser, the 1994 champion, qualified for the 2000 U.S. Olympic trials with her performance.

Ron Wahl '82 has changed his favorite color scheme from blue and gold to black and gold: He was hired as the Pittsburgh Steelers communications coordinator in April, ending his tenure in the sports information and athletic departments at the University of

Dropouts

Pittsburgh. Wahl played three seasons of football at IUP.

Sharp-eyed tennis fans might have spotted **Diane Shuda Spangler '74** on the court at last year's U.S. Open. Not playing—officiating. Spangler, a Durham-based accountant who was named the 1997 North Carolina Tennis Official of the Year, will return to the U.S. Open next month.

Representatives of Division I Liberty (Va.) University turned the tables on **Mel Hankinson '65**, the assistant basketball coach and head recruiter at West Virginia, by actively recruiting him. Hankinson was hired as the Flames' new head coach in April. "Mel brings a lot to our university," said Liberty athletic director Kim Graham. "He has years of coaching experience, he's a great recruiter and motivator, he's been a winner at every level, and he displays Christian integrity." Hankinson recruited most of the players who helped WVU win two games in this year's NCAA tournament, a feat last achieved by the Mountaineers in 1959, when **Jerry West** started at guard. Hankinson has compiled a 385-268 record in twenty-one seasons as a head coach.

On the Rebound

By Bob Fulton

Through the first seven years of this decade, IUP football teams averaged 10.2 wins a season, collected more hardware than Tim Taylor, and twice advanced to the national championship game.

Small wonder last year was such a jarring experience. The Indians crumbled like Poe's House of Usher and stumbled to a 5-5 record, IUP's worst since 1983. The faithful winced at the vision of a once-dominant program degenerating from extraordinary to just plain ordinary.

"We were disappointed, embarrassed by last year," says coach Frank Cignetti, whose Indians finished out of the national rankings for the first time in thirteen years, ending the longest active streak in NCAA Division II.

"It was very uncharacteristic of our program. We really underachieved."

Consequently, 1998 represents something of a watershed season at IUP. Can the Indians recapture the brilliance of years past, or will their luster continue to fade? The spotlight's on IUP. So is the pressure.

"This is a critical year for the program," Cignetti admits.

Fortunately, all signs point to a renaissance. Cignetti welcomes back thirty-three lettermen and sixteen starters, half of them first- or second-team all-conference performers in 1997.

"One of the strengths of this team will be the experience we have returning on both sides of the ball," he says. "This is, by far, the best group of players we've had coming out of spring practice since 1993."

The year, incidentally, IUP last played for the national title. That was also the year senior quarterback Paul Failla last played in a varsity game. The transfer from Notre Dame provided a tantalizing sneak preview of his artistry in the annual spring scrimmage, where he completed seventeen of twenty-four passes for 227 yards and a pair of touchdowns. Failla looked like someone who'd spent the last four years playing football, not minor-league baseball.

"His footwork, his release, his physical skills are probably better today than when he played at Notre Dame, because of his maturity and some carryover value from professional baseball," Cignetti says. "I thought in fifteen practices this spring he also did a great job of reading and recognizing coverages. Now it's just a matter of getting the repetitions. The talent is there."

Cignetti might say the same about other aspects of his team. The offensive unit returns top rusher and scorer Tink Stennett (728 yards, nine TDs), leading receiver Lewis Hicks (fifty-nine

catches), and four starters on the line: tackles Richard St. Paul and Jason Shephard, center Blaine Mensch, and 330-pound guard Leander Jordan. Top tackler Phillip Woods returns on defense along with sack leader Eric Neff and a gifted corps of defensive backs, headed by All-American Barry Threats and promising sophomore Grandvett Taylor.



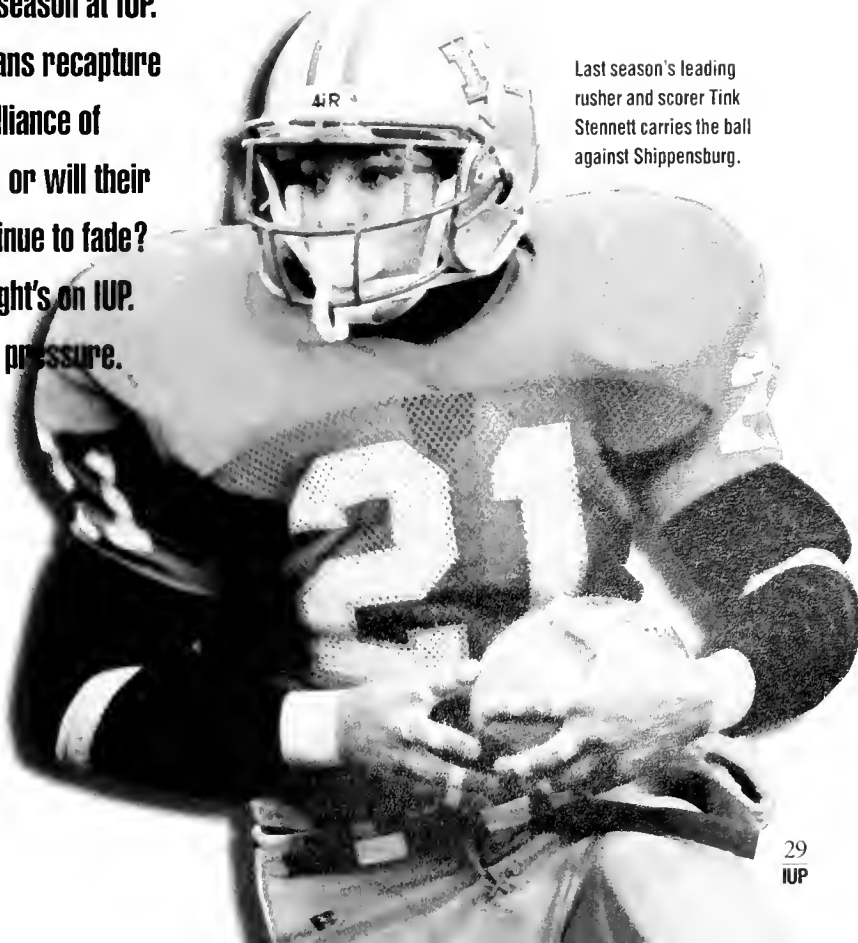
Barry Threats

"I think this is the best secondary we've ever put on the field," Cignetti says. "The cornerbacks, Threats and Taylor, have skill, speed, and quickness."

Quickness is something of a watchword at IUP in 1998. The Indians want to quickly banish memories of last year's collapse and quickly reclaim their place among the nation's elite. Cignetti exudes confidence when discussing the upcoming season, an indication that this year will bear little resemblance to last.

"The difference," he says, "is like day and night." And so, he fervently hopes, is the record.

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Last season's leading rusher and scorer Tink Stennett carries the ball against Shippensburg.

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Homecoming and Oak Leaf Festival, October 3
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Family Weekend, October 24



The world comes to IUP: Thirty-five countries were represented at a Global Village last spring, as more than two hundred international students cooked foods from their countries and displayed souvenirs and native clothes. More photos appear inside.

Barry Reeger